



Jordanian PM makes surprise visit to Israel Monev

his election on May 29.

reap public relations gains.

Jordanian Prime Minister Abdul-Karim Kabariti made an unexpected visit to Israel last night io an apparent prelude to Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu's trip to Egypt tomorrow. Officials in the Prime Minister's Office

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said the meeting was initiated by Kabariti, who earlier in the day visited Egypt. After the meeting, Kabariti told reporters that he briefed Netanyahu on his earlier meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk Shara. (Story, Page 2) The meeting, which included top aides from both sides, was held at the Prime Minister's Office in Tel Aviv.

Arab officials and European govern-

ments have looked to Jordan, due to Amman's close close relationship to the

concern about Israel's peace policies. Therefore, there is speculation that after prior consultation in Cairo yesterday, the Arabs urged Kabiriti to visit Israel in a bid to help prepare for the visit and ensure a successful outcome to Netanyahu's trip to Egypt.

Netanyahu, announced yesterday that steps would be taken imminently to ease the closure on the territories.

Other moderate Arab countries have reacted warily to Netanyahu. Earlier this week, Gulf states joined Egypt and Syria in issuing a statement voicing deep concern about Netanyahu's peace policies. Moreover, the Moroccan government refused to let Netanyahu's plane stopover in Rabat on the way back from the US. The meeting between Netanyahu and

DAVID MAKOVSKY

the Palestinians or rather wants to merely

They say there is a pattern of the pre-

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er. Dore Gold, 10 meet with top

Palestinians only on the eve of a major

events such as the Arab summit and the

Netanyahu visit to Washington, Yesterday

a meeting took place between Gold and

Sources say that in the meeting vesterday Gold did not convey any information meeting with an Arab head of state since about easing the closure. An official in the Prime Minister's Office said last night However, before the Netanyahuthat he did not think that specifics had Mubarak meeting. Western diplomats been decided upon yet, and that this conveyed greater skepticism about would be left to Defense Minister Yitzhak whether the Netanyahu government is serious about engaging substantively with

Mordechai. It is known that Civil Administration officials have favored sharply increasing the number of Palestinian workers allowed to work inside Israel and have favored the use of IDF escort convoys to enable the safe passage of Palestinians between the West Bank and Gaza. "It will be gradual and subordinate to

security considerations." an official from Netanyahu's office said. Sources said the IDF had presented a

list of suggested steps to take to ease the

closure. These include issuing more work permits to the tens of thousands of Palestinians seeking employment in Israel and increasing the amount of produce and goods allowed to pass in and out of the territories.

The current closure has been in effect since the wave of suicide attacks began in February. Since the elections it has been eased gradually, Today some 25,000 Palestinian laborers are permitted to pass daily to their jobs in Israel, but these have been restricted to include only middleaged, married workers.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Nicholas Bums welcomed the announcement, He said President Clinton Secretary of State Warren and Christopher had urged an easing during (Continued on Page 2)



400,000 workers strike today

MICHAL YUDELMAN

today as some 400,000 workers strike from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m., as large unions and labor council part of the Histadrut and labor secretaries for an emergency unions'protest against the governmeeting last night for last-minute ment's economic program. instructions on the strike and the mass demonstration the Histadrut The strike in the public sector is to encompass all government is to hold today at 11 a.m. outside

ministries, local authorities, pubthe Knesset. lic hospitals, banks and the stock Last night, the Tel Aviv market. For Bank Hapoalim, it Regional Labor Court issued an will be the first strike in 75 years. injunction forbidding the Ports Disruptions are expected in train and Railway Authority, the Airports Authority, and El Al from striking. The Histadrut said it Histadrut Chairman MK Amir would appeal the decision. The Peretz convened the leaders of the

judge said, however, that authority workers would be able to leave work to attend the Histadrut rally today.

The Jerusalem Regional Labor Court was to rule last night on a petition by the Banking Association against the strike. The court yesterday refused the Manufacturers Association's petition for an injunction against the strike, but limited the strike in the industrial sector to two hours. Histadrut leaders expressed satisfaction with the ruling, noting

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Hizbullah reportedly releasing bodies of two MIAs today

HIZBULLAH will today hand over the bodies of two Israeli MIAs, presumably those of Yosef Fink and Rabamim Alshelkh, to a representative of the German government, Israel Radio reported,

prisoners held by Israel, Hizbullah said yesterday. French news agencies said last night that Bernd Schmidbauer, the top Intelligence aide to Chancellor Helmut Kohl, would be arriving in

Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu meets his Jordanian counterpart, Abdul-Karim Kabariti (left) in Tel Aviv last night. (Israel Sun)

quoting a source in the Lebanese government. The bodies will be exchanged for Shi'ite Moslem

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and bus schedules.

today to handle the cxchange. Earlier report, Page 12

Who is striking? MICHAL YUDELMAN

STATE hospitals and Magen David Adom will operate with only an emergency staff. Kupat Holim Clalit, including all its clinics and offices, will be on strike all day. • All government ministries, including income tax, customs and VAT offices, will be closed for the day, as will municipal and local authority offices, National Insurance Institute offices and employment bureaus. • All the banks the Bench of Israel apericas and the stock market will be on strike • All the banks, the Bank of Israel, postal agencies and the stock market will be on strike. • Israel Radio and Channel 1 may strike for part of the time.

· No university exams will be held; Na'amat and WIZO centers and offices will be closed; municipal summer schools will be closed, though private ones will operate as usual.

The Israel Museom will be closed.

Egged and Dan will operate their lines with cooperative members only; hired drivers and workers will be on strike.

• The Tnuva, Strauss and Tara dairies will not supply shops with merchandise. The Histadrut is trying to

get chain stores to strike. Private shops will be open as usual. • Hotels will operate on a Shabbat schedule, without serving lunch or providing room service.

Tel Aviv lifeguards will be on strike.

• Bezeq, the Fire Service, the Israel Electric Corporation and Mekorot will operate on an emergency basis. Pendiog a court ruling, it was unclear last night whether Ben-Gurion Airport, El Al, Arkia, Eilat Airport, and the ports would be on strike. El Al has rescheduled its flights around the strike. Although the strike is to last only 10 hours, disruptions are expected to continue at least until midnight. Traffic jams are expected on the road to Jerusalem between 9:30 and 10:30 this morning, as 300 buses hired by the Histadrut will head for Jerusalem, carrying some 10,000 workers to demonstrate outside the Konstrate Knesset.

Treasury announces bond-buying plan DAVID HARRIS and news agencies

SHARES on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange plummeted yesterday, with the Two-Sided Index falling 4.5%, and the Maof Index losing 5.25%. It was the 10th consecutive day that the market dropped.

The Treasury and the Bank of Israel yesterday agreed on measures they hope will help stabilize the capital market. This stability is crucial for the business sector to continue raising capital.

The central bank says it plans to institute a guaranteed minimum return for provident funds. This is aimed at preventing fund members from redeeming shares and forcing the funds to sell stocks to meet the redemptions. In a joint statement, the two bodies anoounced that the Bank of Israel will buy inflation-linked

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NEIL COHEN THE market is collapsing for three reasons:

1) Panicked investors have been dumping stocks indiscriminately. In particular, provident and mutual funds have been hit by heavy redemptions - savers asking for their money back, forcing the funds to liquidate positions to raise cash. When there are more sellers

than buyers prices fall. Markets are driven by greed and fear. Right now we are in fear mode.

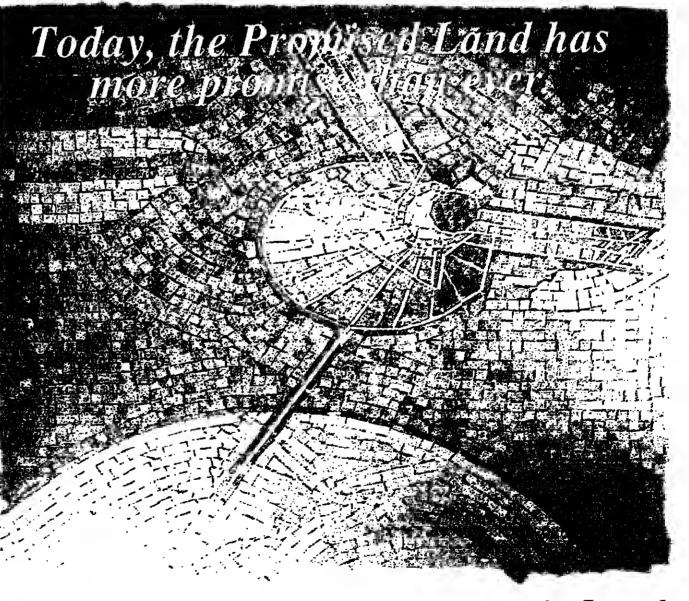
2) High interest rates hit the market with a double whammy. By making capital more expen-sive, they hurt corporate profits. And by offering savers high returns on risk-free bank deposits (Continued on Page 8)



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Syrian FM warns Israel: Don't change direction of peace process

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SYRIA said yesterday that the Arab world would reject any Israeli attempt to change the ground rules in Middle East peace negotiations.

"Any attempt to violate or change the basis of the peace process will not succeed," Syrian Forega Minister Farouk Shara told reporters in Cairo after a meeting with Egyptian

President Hosni Mubarak. Shara also met with Jordanian Prime Minister Abdul-

Karim Kabariti yesterday. Shara said the leaders of Egypt and Jordan would remind

Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu of the already agreed upon principles of peace in his upcoming meetings with them. Netanyahu is expected in Egypt tomorrow and is due

to visit Jordan a week later. Land for peace is something we agreed upon and there will be no change in it. President Mubarak will repeat that and I am sure that [Jordan's] King Hussein also will repeat that. We will continue to insist on a just and comprehensive peace based on the land for peace formula," Shara said.

Kabarili, whose country has had to fend off Arab criticism that it has been too quick to make up with Israel, said Netanyahu's lough policies have alarmed his country.

"Netanyahu's statements worry us a lot especially when it

HILLEL KUTTLER and news agencies

comes to issues related to Jerusalem and to senlements," Kabariti said.

However, he stated clearly that Israel will be committed to whatever agreement they have signed or arrived at with the Arab parties and we believe that respecting those agreements will be the basis for hope that the peace process will continue.

We want to listen to Netanyahu and not to judge bis policies and direction from his statements and speeches," he said

Jordan views the peace process in a comprehensive way and there is no peace process without it being comprehensive ... peace must refer to principles of international reso-

lutions and the land for peace principle," Kabariti added, The US's special Middle East coordinator Dennis Ross will return to the region next week for consultations with the key players in the peace process, a senior US official said vesterday.

Ross will bring a letter from President Bill Clinton to Syrian President Hafez Assad assuring him of the US's commitment to helping restart Israeli-Syrian talks, he said. Secretary of State Warren Christopher and the US peace team visited Israel and Egypt three weeks ago, before Netanyahu's inaugural visit to the US. The official said that while Christopher had planned a longer visit to the region this summer, it is not now in the works.

Letters also were delivered in recent days to Mubarak Morocco's King Hassan II, King Hussein and Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat, the official said. Such leners are often sent to Arab leaders following a visit by an Israeli prime minister when there is uncertainty in the Arab world about an Israeli position, he explained.

The official said the letters reiterated, in part, that "our position on this issue [settlements] has not changed - that we still see it as a problem," he said.

The US sees tomorrow's scheduled Mubarak-Netanyahu meeting as an opportunity for Netanyahu to assure the Arab world that he wants to keep them "on board" in the peace and his government, former forprocess, and for Mubarak to convey those concerns, the official said.

However, the US played no role prior to the Cairo meeta determined continuation of the ing, he added. Mubarak is due to meet with Clinton on July 30. peace process will reinstate domestic and international confi-

Barak attacks Netanyahu government for economic crisis

MICHAL YUDELMAN

Binyamin Netanyahu," Labor MK

In his first attack on Netanyahu

eign minister Barak said that only

dence in Israel's economy. "Not

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geous policy by daylight on eco-nomic, security and foreign affairs, that's what the state needs

to stabilize the capital market," he

Barak called on Netanyahu "to

climb down immediately from the

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ic and security matters and return

for bis meeting with Palestinian

Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat

and for the redeployment in

Hebron, and to hold a down-to-

business discussion with Egyptian

President Hosni Mubarak in Cairo

These moves will contribute to

to the firm earth of reality." He urged Netanyahu to issue a statement right away setting a date

said.

Ehud Barak said yesterday.

rebuild the confidence in Israel's THE crisis in the capital market is government both in Tel Aviv and not a reaction to the interest rates on Wall Street - no less than or the draining of the provident reducing the interest rate by .5% funds, "but to the confusion, lack to 1%, he said. of direction and internal contradiction radiated by Prime Minister

Labor MK Haim Ramon blasted the government's economic poli-cy "which in one month deteriorated the stock market by 15%. This is the public's real opinion on

its government." Ramon upheld the Histadrut and workers' right to strike against the government's anncipated economic measures, noting that "the government must negotiate with the body which represents more than 600,000 workers and pensioners, who are the main victims of the economic program."

He dismissed the arguments that the strike is premature, stressing The cabinet has made decisions which oblige the coalition, that is a very serious thing indeed. The government should have negotiated with the Histadrut before doing

"The Histadrut showed understanding for the economic situation and was ready to be a partner to the budget cuts, if the government would negotiate a just and correct economic and social policy. But the government rejected this approach.

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Shahak's trip to **Russia postponed**

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RUSSIA'S new government has canceled a visit there later this month by Chief of General Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak, the army said. Reports from Russia attributed this to the internal upheaval in the Russian military brass resulting from the recent elections there.

A Defense Ministry official confirmed that Shahak was to have visited Russia sometime this month, but that the trip was delayed. The official declined to speculate as to why, "It was postponed a bit, that is all," the official said.

The IDF spokesman also declined to comment on the reason. -The Foreign Ministry curiously claimed they knew of no planned visit

by the chief-of-staff to Russian The visit most likely would have dealt with the two-year defense

memorandum signed between the two countries last December during a visit here by then-Russian defense minister Pavel Grachev.

The agreement covered an array of issues, including research and anced avioni nf of :

Eitan examines security procedures at Gaza crossing

AGRICULTURE Minister Rafael Eitan visited the Border Police base in Kiryat Gat yesterday to examine the securily arrangements in place on the Gaza border and in the Mount Hebron area.

He also visited the Kami crossing point in Gaza, where he was briefed on the security arrangements and procedures for transferring goods from the Strip.

The problem is not just security but the quality of produce and preventing the spread of disease," Eitan said, "I have not yet drawn any conclusions. I will study the matter and then decide about changes."

Eitan met with Hamis Tamous, the Palestinian in charge of the Kami crossing, and they discussed the possibility of easing the closure. Eitan said he would like to help the Palestinian farmers, and, if invited, would travel to Gaza to meet with Palestinian Authority agriculture officials.

He said the water problems in the PA-controlled territories could be solved by erecting desalination plants in Gaza and in the Beit She'an area. As for the present, he said, "If there's no water, there's no water; we have no other water sources.

Tourism Minister Moshe Katsav (right) is briefed on the security situation in Hebron while climbing to an observation point to view the Machpela Cave yesterday. 'There needs to be a continual string of settlement between Hebron and Kirvat Arba,' he said.

Husseini to lead protest against

on the continuation of the peace process.

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He suggested that the Palestinians invite Israeli agricultural experts to check Palestinian produce while it is still in the fields, which he said would go a long way toward preventing produce from being rejected for import at the Karni crossing. If produce were checked before

being packed, it "could be brought in immediately without being checked at Karni," he said. Tamous welcomed the idea and

said he hoped he would be able to implement it. (lúm)

Two killed on Modi'in road

TWO people were killed and five injured in traffic accidents on the Givat Ze'ev Modi'in highway yesterday. A pregnant woman was killed when two cars collided near Beit Horon. Four people were also injured in the accident, two seriously and two moderately. Shortly afterward, a car and truck collided near Reut. The car's driver was killed. Itim

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

THE WEEKLY MEETING OF THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING JERUSALEM ROTARY CLUB will take place today at 1:00 p.m. at the YMCA. King David Street. H.E. Manuel Emilio Lopez Frogo, the Costa Rican Ambassador, will address the club.



until Wednesday, July 24, at 10:00 a.m.

A DEMONSTRATION is slated to occur in an eastern Jerusalem park loday lo protest plans to rezone the park and turn il over lo a Jewish developer.

Palestinians have charged that the park, located on Nablus Road in the Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood, sits on about five dunams which were expropriated from a Palestinian landowner. The municipality spokesman said that the

STRIKE

alone," Peretz said.

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Peretz scoffed at the gathering

of economic leaders and politi-

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refused to negotiate with us on a responsible plan. We say to the (Continued from Page 1) this is the first time the court recgovernment, don't make the ognized the Histadrut's right to workers the sole victims of all hold a protest strike against the your cutbacks. Don't run the state government. on the backs of the workers

Peretz warned yesterday that "the more the government assaults the workers with decrees to defend themselves. We are now at a time in which all the norms and balances in the market are being altered, the government is making hasty decisions, and all the decrees are on the workers' backs."

"We are willing to be partners in the economic policy, but they



and Draconian measures, the more the workers will fight back

Caesarea, saying they are oblivi-ous to the suffering their economic steps are causing. "They should realize that neither the workers nor the investors - who are running away from the collapsing stock market - are

Peretz dismissed the accusation that the strike is political, saying "people don't understand what a political strike means. They think mistakenly that it's to do with parties. The strike is aimed against the government, no matter what party it belongs to. The previous government did not conduct such an aggressive war against the workers. When MK Yossi Beilin [whose proposals Finance Minister Dan Meridor claims his economic program is based on] suggested similar measures to me before the elections, I rejected

them and warned him they would not pass." Evelyn Gordon adds:

MK Avraham Herschson (Likud), chairman of the Likudaffiliated Histadrut Ovdim Leumit, vesterday called on union members not to join the strike, which he said is politically motivated

He said Leunit also has concerns about the budget cuts, and he will meet with Meridor to discuss them.

"However, we should not participate in political strikes that destroy the economy," he said.

BILL HUTMAN

rezoning of eastern Jerusalem park

municipality recently discovered that part of the park was built on two dunams of land owned by a Jewish landowner, and that it is being returned to him. The spokesman added that PLO official Faisal Husseini, who organized the protest, is exaggerating the importance of the project. He pointed out that due to zoning regulations only

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Netanyahu's visit to Washington

"We have long been concerned

by the economic suffering of the

Palestinian people on the West

Bank and Gaza Strip," Burns said.

"We hope that easing the closure will allow the Palestinians to get

"The Palestinians feel like they

are being manipulated by Netanyahu," a Western diplomat

with the Palestinians before a big

event which appears designed to

take the heat off Israel. Yet there

is no substance, no follow-

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"To say there will some unspec-

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there are specifics. If it is serious,

as Husseini, are expected to participate in the demonstration. The Peace Now-affiliated Ir Shalem group is also supporting the protest. Ir Shalem is filing

about 1.1 dunams could be built upon.

a petition with the local planning board today against the plan to rezone the park, a spokesman said.

Several dozen Palestínian children, as well

(Continued from Page 1) government bonds, to moderate the exceptional fluctuations in the bonds' prices. They said the bond "The treatment of the capital market requires a widespread purchases would be financed by variety of measures," Frenkel told selling non-index-linked Treasury

The decision was made following an all-night meeting held by done. The treatment of the bourse Prime Minister Binyamin will be long-term," added Meridor, after he addressed a spe-Netanyahu, Bank of Israel Govemor Jacob Frenkel and cial cabinet session on the capital Finance Minister Dan Meridor, which finished early yesterday market.

The premise that when fiscal expansion is practiced a central To implement the plan, the govbank should exercise monetary emment will initiate an amendment to the Treasury Bill Law, to restraint does not necessarily raise the permitted upper limit for mean that when a government exercises budgetary restraint, the Treasury bill issues as required. This will enable the government cental bank should necessarily to sell more Treasury bills. ease interest rates," Frenkel said Treasury bills from this suppleyesterday in Caesarea. ment will be sold solely for the

He added that although the government has cut its budget, the macroeconomic situation is still severe, and refused to make any commitment to reducing interest rates. He stressed, in an interview with Channel 1, that the government's main battle must be the fight against inflation.

it will be welcomed by all. So far, the whole government's approach looks to the Palestinians like flim-It is precisely because of this

concern over being manipulated that PA President Yasser Arafat rehuffed a meeting with Gold on Monday, sources insisted.

flam."

Sources also said that during the said. There is a single meeting last meeting between Gold and Abbas a few weeks ago Abbas responded to Israel's call for "reciprocity" by offering to hold talks in which each side would put for-. ward its own view on the other's violations of the peace accord. However, no such encounter has been held. Moreover, there has yon meet Mubarak looks like a been no meeting to discuss alleged Palestinian violations in lerusalem.

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Meridor said last night on Channel 1 that the government would not interfere with the bourse.

The feeling on the stock exchange is that the intervention plan will not prevent people from pulling money out of provident funds. Even before the opening of the

stock market yesterday, traders said the new measures would have little effect on the share market crisis and called for lower interest rates, a view shared by Manufacturers Association President Dan Propper.

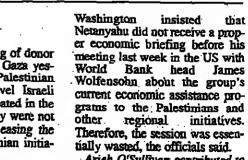
Gad Haker, head of the international department at Betucha Securities and Investments, said the stock market opened yesterday with a surplus supply of shares, but the fall in prices was less dramatic than in the past few weeks.

"Shares are falling as a result of the fall in shares on Wall Street yesterday and because of the continuing crises in the local stock market. But the falls are less

JORDANIAN

Meanwhile, a meeting of donor countries convened in Gaza yesterday to discuss Palestinian finances. Two mid-level Israeli representatives participated in the meeting. They said they were not authorized to discuss easing the closure or any Palestinian initiatives, sources say.

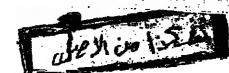




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technologies. It was hoped that joint projects would have been advanced by Shahak's visit. Since the agreement, Russian President Boris Yeltsin has replaced

Grachav with Alexander Lebed. This change has left the Russian defense establishment in a state of uncertainty.

It is expected that Shahak's visit will be rescheduled once a new Russian defense minister is named. However, the cancellation may also be a sign of Russian Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov's position. Yesterday, following a meeting in Moscow with his Egyptian counterpart Amr Moussa, Primakov said Russia was determined to "keep the peace process alive."

Primakov's deputy Viktor Posuvalyuk said that Moscow is eyeing a bigger role in Middle East peacemaking.

intense than in the past week," he said. Bond prices have also been

falling, as provident funds faced with massive redemptions have been forced to sell bonds and stocks. The falling bond prices have pushed up yields to 10-year highs.

Treasury officials said that to counter the inflationary effects of buying bonds, the Bank of Israel will re-absorb money put into the economy by selling short-term bonds.

Koor CEO Benny Gaon called on Netanyahu to meet immediately with Yasser Arafat. Gaon, in a lecture delivered at the Fourth Caesarea Conference, where Israel's leading economic and business figures meet annually, said that a failure on the part of the government to quickly restore the peace process would ultimately generate an economically counterproductive sense of uncertainty.

Amotz Asa-El contributed to this report.

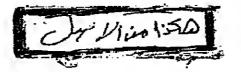
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Haredi family fears for future after father is excommunicated HAIM SHAPIRO

WHAT happens to a haredi family when the husband is excommunicated by a rabbinical court?

The story of one Tel Aviv-area family began about four years ago, when a brother of the excommunicated man became involved in divorce proceedings. After a rabbinical court levied a monthly support payment which was more than the brother could pay, the brother disappeared. The rabbinical court appears convinced that the rest of the family knows where the brother is.

What followed, according to the wife of the excommunicated man, was a series of orders to appear at various rabbinical courts around the country. Whenever a family member failed to appear, the court would order them arrested. Family members also found that the rabbinical courts had imposed liens on their bomes.

"My mother-in-law is 80 years old. She's a survivor of Auschwitz. After she was arrested, she had a heart attack," the wife said.

Her husband, in an effort to keep from being arrested, filed a petition with the High Court of Justice against the rabbinical court. It was, she admitted, a very serious step to for a baredi man to take, but it resulted in an end to the arrest and lien orders from the rabbinical courts.

Last week, however, the family was shocked to find huge posters hanging in their neighborhood and other baredi neighborhoods with what appeared to be a copy of a herem (excommunication order) issued by the Jerusalem Rabbinical Court. The herem was signed by Rabbi Ezra Basri, president of the Jerusalem Rabbinical Court, and Rabbinical Conrt judges Shlomo Fisher and Nehemia Goldberg.

The herem warns all Jews not to come within four cubits of the man involved, not to have any dealings with him, talk to him or count him for a minyan in the synagogue. This past Shabbat, she said, the family went elsewhere, and the husband attended the synagogue of his hassidic community.

The husband has also refrained from riding the bus or shopping in any neighborhood stores, she said, adding that she has gotten the cold shoulder from a few of ber neighbors.

"This thing could easily destroy my marriage, but I respect my bus-band for his courage. Can they destroy my life because of another woman's life? You'd think this was the Middle Ages," the wife said. Rabbi Eli Ben-Dahan, the director of the rabbinical courts, yesterday

denied any knowledge of a herem levied against the family.

Har-Shefi: Amir spoke of killing Rabin, but no one took it seriously **RAINE MARCUS**

HUNDREDS, and perhaps 1,000 people knew of Yigal Amir's plan to kill prime minister Yitzhak Rabin, Margalit Har-Shefi said in Tel Aviv District Court yesterday. "Yigal Amir told hundreds of people, maybe even 1,000, of his ideas to kill Rabin," she said. "I thought he was just talking but wouldn't do anything. He was

known as a demagogue." Har-Shefi was summoned as a defense witness in the trial against convicted assassin Yigal Amir. his brother Haggai, and Dror Adani. They are charged with plotting to kill Rabin, plotting to harm Palestinians and their property, and illegally possessing and mannfacturing ammunition and explosives.

Her testimony, requested by Haggai Amir's lawyer Moshe Meroz, had been postponed to give her the opportunity to consult with her lawyer, Yair Golan. Golan had been against her testifying, to prevent her from incrim-inating berself.

The judges told Har-Shefi that the court would protect her from implicating herself in criminal offenses, and disqualified many of the defense's questions yesterday.

Har-Shefi was arrested shortly after Rabin's murder and kept in custody on suspicion of failing to prevent the murder and conspiraey charges. Evidence against her bas been transferred to the District Attorney's Office, but she has not yet been indicted and it is still unclear if she will be charged.

territories. She also told the court that Yigal Amir had asked her if she could

find out how to break into weapons warehouses and if she knew chemists who could prepare

MKs facing serious charges ACRI: Omer mayor has no right to ban could be prevented from Aviv Geffen performance chairing committees

AN MK charged with crimes involving moral turpitude might be prevented from bolding certain positions within the Knesset, the Knesset House Committee ruled

yesterday. The decision was taken against the background of the case of MK Raphael Pinhasi (Shas). although it would not retroactively sover it. Pinhasi's tight to chair the House Comminee is being challenged by

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falsifying documents. The deci-sion could affect, bowever, the right of Avi Yehezkel (Labor) to chair the Knesset Economics Committee next term and Likud .MK Meir Sheetrit's appointment as deputy speaker The committee yesterday made a ruling on the subject which, as

for the committee to prevent an MK from temporarily holding certain positions or limiting the fields an MK can deal with while

facing serious charges. "The decision is an attempt to renew the public's confidence in the House by showing that MKs are prepared to accept certain testrictions," Eitan-said ... "At the same diment is important to recallthat a person is innocent until

OMER Mayor MK Pini Badash (Likud) has no right to ban a performance by Aviv Geffen in his town, the Association for Civil Rights in Israel said in a petition to the High Court of Justice yesterday.

The petition also challenged Badash's decision to forbid Geffen's supporters to post a satirical poem against Badash on municipal bulletin boards.

Omer has a municipal amphitheater which it rents out to various performing artists during the summer. According to the petition, Geffen

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was the only performer whom Badash refused allow to perform. In an interview with Rafi Reshef on Channel 2, Badash explained his reasons as follows:

"A man who did not serve in the army, who calls our youth the 'screwed-up generation,' who calls the prime minister a drunk ... he is not on our list of priorities for the performances we will bring this summer," Badash said.

The petition charged that both the decision itself and Badash's refusal to post the satirical poem violate the basic principle of freedom of expression. Furthermore, it said, Badash had no authority by law to take either of these actions.

"Mayors are not in charge of the morality and artistic tastes of their residents," the peti-tion concluded. "A mayor may, like any other citizen, express his opinion, and warn that a certain person is corrupting our youth, but he cannot use his governmental authority to force his opinion on the general-public."

Margalit Har-Shefi, accompanied by ber mother, leaves Tel Aviv District Court yesterday after testifying. She testified yesterday after added, "It's not practical," to the leaflets and posters, but nothing remember seeing Adani at meet-Haggai Amir took the stand. more extreme, adding that she statement, ings in different settlements in the Har-Shefi also said that Yigal When asked how Haggai Amir objected to any violent or illegal had reacted to his brother's idea to Amir had asked her if she was acts. kill Rabin, Har-Shefi answered interested in forming an under-ground organization with him. When asked how she interpreted Ylgal Amir's statements, she that Haggai had said: "Stop with Har-Shefi said that she initially the nubbish." replied, "A dog that barks does Prosecutor Penina Guy said that thought Amir's intention was to not bite. Har-Shefi said she could not under investigation Har-Shefi had distribute anti-government bombs.



Group urges Ben-Yair to stop

former minister Segev from

joining Eisenberg group

Meretz MKs because Attorney- ... acting chairman Michael Eitan General Michael Ben-Yair has asked his political immunity be lifted to face charges of fraud and

(Likud) noted, is not dealt with in either the Knesset House Rules or legislation. The decision allows

found guilty and that an MK is a public representative and every attempt must be made not to harm the public which clected him."

MKs protest plan to stop distributing gas masks

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THE Knesset Interior Committee yesterday called on the govemment to reconsider its decision to stop the distribution of gas masks to the public.

Committee chairman Sallah Tarif (Labor) said he is "deeply concerned by the decision as long as the threat of war still hangs over our beads."

OC Home Front Maj.-Gen. Shmuel Arad told the meeting the gas mask kits are the principal means of defense against nonconventional weapons.

been a change in perception and Israeli residents have defensive equipment worth NIS 954 million," he said. "Israel has the best

EVELYN GORDON IT is a clear conflict of interest for former energy minister Gonen Segev to be employed by the Eisenberg group, the Movement for Quality Government in Israel protested in a lener to Attorney-General Michael Ben-Yair yester-

During his term as energy minister, Segev wrote a letter to the Jordanian government informing it that Shoul Eisenberg was interested in a joint venture with the Jordanians, and that he (Segev) supported the idea. Eisenberg's proposal was for a power station run on natural gas to be set up in Jordan, which would sell electricity to Israel.

In its lener, the movement noted that according to a legal opinion written by Ben-Yair himself, a

cooling-off period is necessary for ministers and deputy ministers who wish to be employed by private companies with which their ministries worked even though technically, the civil service regulations on this subject do not apply to ministers. This opinion was written to prevent situations such as Segev's, in which a minister helps a certain company with the goal of getting a job with it afterward, the movement said.

It asked Ben-Yair to order Segev to wait for an appropriate period before joining the Eisenberg group.

The movement did not specify what length of time it would deem ppropriate, leaving this to Ben-Yair's judgment. In the civil service, the standard cooling-off period is one to two years.

Self Healing

The Secret of the

Ring Muscles

AN imported artificial membrane that promises to eliminate many of the adhesions resulting from abdominal and pelvic surgery was tions. used here for the first time yester-

The successful operation was performed on a middle-aged man at Hadassah-University Hospital in Jerusalem's Ein Kerem.

The Health Ministry recently approved Seprafilm, which was developed by the US biotechnology giant Genzyme. It was meant to deal with the problem of adhesions, in which tissues stick together after surgery and have to

JUDY SIEGEL be separated in subsequent opera-

Material to reduce complications from

abdominal surgery introduced here

Adhesions occur in 60 percent to 90% of patients undergoing abdominal operations and the majority of those having pelvic operations. In addition, seven out of 10 of all bowel obstructions are due to post-surgical adhesions, and many female infertility prob-

lems result from them. Genzyme-Israel managing direc-

tor Ze'ev Zelig said the material is expected to save the health system many hundreds of repair operations

surgeon at the hospital who did specialized training in the US and was part of the team that developed Seprafilm, performed the surgery at Hadassah. Clinical trials in the US showed

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cantly improve the quality of life of

Dr. Petachia Reissman,a senior

that Seprafilm eliminated adhesions in half of all surgical patients and significantly reduced their severity in the rest.

sion, said the cost of NIS 120 millinn a year was reason to abolish the distribution, as the government had decided. He said the Defense Ministry was prepared "with active not passive measures.

Tarif said stopping the distribu-tion would affect the personal security of residents, "and is above economic considerations." "Since the Gulf War there has MK Ze'ev Boim (Likud), who is also mayor of Kiryat Gat,

expressed concern at increased unemployment in the town if the factory which produces the gas equipped citizens in the world. mask kits there lays off workers.

New efforts to prosecute those responsible for traffic accidents

JUST over a month ago, Victor Barashi. Kleinberg's wife was killed on an Israeli road. Kleinberg has come Israel here from Belgium to see that justice is done and to try to prevent other such deaths.

His wife's death appears to be even more senseless than the usual road accident. Kleinberg's wife, Mahnouch Faroughi, a Belgian resident who had been visiting here, had been in a car with ber friend, Michai Koren of Ma'ale Adumim, when an earthmoving truck entered the Ramot Road.

The truck made a turn that was two wide, crushing the car and killing the two women.

The truck driver, Faddel Mohammed, 23, of Ramallah, did not have a valid Israeli driver's license. In fact, he had no permission to be in Israel at alL.

According to police, he was smuggled in from the West Bank every day by his employer, S.

Kleinberg, who arrived in Israel this week, said that he wants to make sure that all those who are responsible for his wife's death are found guilty and punished. He said he wants to make sure that not just "the man on the bottom," the driver, is punished.

Shortly after the accident, Kleinberg read in The Jerusalem Post that the Transportation Ministry's Road Safety Administration was recommending prosecuting employers as well as drivers when the latter were involved in fatal accidents. According to information which

Kleinberg succeeded in gathering, it would appear that the move would be particularly applicable Kleinberg found that not only

did Mohammed have no valid permit to work in Israel, and no license recognized by the Israeli HAIM SHAPIRO

authorities, the Palestinian document which he showed the police was for a 15-ton truck. Mohammed had been driving a 40-ton truck loaded with 70-tons of earth. "This shows me the employer

was trying to cut costs. He hired someone young and inexperienced so be could pay him peanuts," Kleinberg said.

In addition, Kleinberg said, the video of the accident scene showed that there were no signs on the highway warning that work was being carried out there.

There was a plastic barrier on the road, but it was empty, not filled with water to give it an effective weight, he added.

According to the Jerusalem District police spokesman, Mohammed's files have been passed on to the State Attorney.

The files accuse bim of causing a death through negligence and of illegally staying in Israel. A file accusing the employer of illegally employing a resident of the West Bank has been transferred to the

State Prosecutor. Police are still investigating the possibility of also charging the employer with causing deaths through negligence.

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Rnad Safery Administration spokesman Shmuel Bahagon said yesterday that two proposed laws that put responsibility on employers had passed their first reading in the previous Knesset, One proposal would require

The gas masks cost NIS 120 mil-

lion a year, NIS 20 per person."

The Finance Ministry's Uzi Levy,

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anyone using a truck to have a special permit, while the other would take any truck used illegally and involved in an accident off the road for 30 days.

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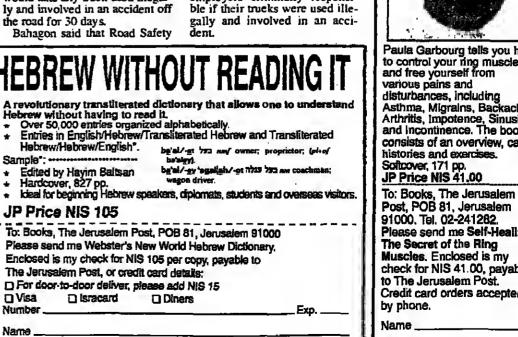
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Administration head Shalom Ben-Moshe has appeared before tumerous Knesset committees in an effort to see that both proposed laws go through the legislative process.

He added that Ben-Moshe is also pushing for a third law which would specifically hold employers criminally responsible if their trucks were used illegally and involved in an acci-dent.

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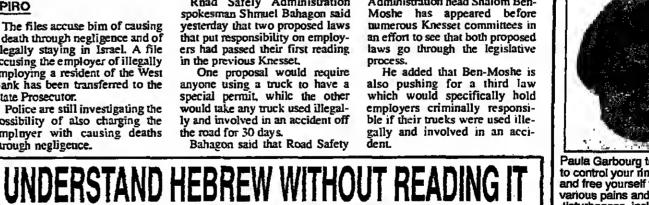


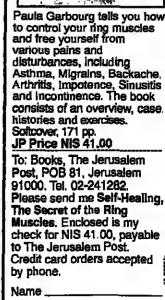
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WORLD NEWS

Gore: Yeltsin looked good

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Ugandan army hunts for vanished refugees, rebels

KAMPALA, Uganda (Reuter) -The Ugandan army scoured the bushes for Sudanese refugees who vanished after an attack by Christian fundamentalist rebels over the weekend in which more then 100 were killed, a government minister said yesterday.

UN aid agencies said some 2.000 Sudanese refugees were missing from Acboli Pii camp in northem Uganda after gunmen believed to be from the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) raided it and killed 107 people. "We have sent out troops in the

area and they are now searching the bushes for the disappeared refugees," Amama Mbebazi, Minister of State for Defense told Reuters in Kampala.

The search had already yielded results, with some of the refugees found in Gulu, south of the raided camp, Mbabazi said.

"We are also pursuing the rebels. Even those they abducted we should be eble to rescue."

Acholi Pii was home to 16,000 refugees, part of the 210,000 Sudanese refugees in northern Uganda who fled the civil war between southern rebels and the Islamic-backed government.

The Ugandan rebels attacked it days after some 800 of their fighters returned from their camps in Sudan. Their deadliest attacks since they started fighting President Yoweri Museveni's govemment in 1987 have been launched on return from Sudan.

The LRA, which says it wants to rule along the Bible's Ten Commandments, denied it had anything to do with the attack, in which refugees were shot at point blank and many more were killed with machetes.

LYNN BERRY MOSCOW US Vice President Al Gore proclaimed Boris Yeltsin in "good health" after a 45-minute talk yesterday in a health resort outside

Moscow, seeming unfazed that he was kept waiong an extra day. "He looked very good to me," said Gore, the first Western leader to meet Yeltsin since the latest round of speculation about his health flared up.

Their talk came a day after the 65-year-old Yeltsin abruptly can-celed a meeting with Gore, further fueling rumors ebout his fragile condidon

Yeltsin looked stiff, as he often does, but was alert and pacing the room while waiting for Gore at the government health resort where he is taking a two-week vacation.

In his first appearance before the foreign medie since last month, Yeltsin greeted Gore with a big smile. He joked with his visitor and talked with animation.

"He seemed to be in good health, relaxed, smiling and seemed very acovely engaged in the subjects we discussed during our conversation," Gore told reporters afterward.

Gore said he didn't raise Yelisin's sudden cancellation of their meeting a day earlier.

"Of course I didn't comment on thet," he said. "It's not at all unusual 10 have meetings postponed from one day to the next." But the swift change of plans, just minutes before Gore was to leave for the meeting, set off a worldwide wave of speculation about Yeltsin's condition.

It wes just the latest in a string of no-shows that began near the end of Yeltsin's vigorous campaign for a second term. Since then, Yeltsin bas been seen only in official TV footage and carefully scripted Kremlin events.

Yeltsin has had two bouts of serious heart trouble in the last year, suffers from a bad back, and is prone - by his own description to bouts of drinking and black depression.

Aides say Yeltsin is "very tired" from the campaign, not sick. The Clinton administration was a strong supporter of Yeltsin's re-

You learn all kinds of things when you're running for office," Yeltsin replied with a laugh. Gore said the two had a "good conversation characterized by a great deal of warmth and person-

election bid against a Communist

Party chellenger. Gore greeted

Yeltsin with congratulations on

his July 3 victory - and a compli-

ment on his dancing at a cam-

paign rock concert.

ality." He called the talk "enjoy-

Gore also mer yesterday with Yeltsin's new national security chief, Alexander Lebed. They discussed the political situation in Russia and nuclear security issues,

Arms reduction, investment, the war in Chechnya and the future of Russian reforms appeared to dominate Gore's conversation with

the Interfax news agency said.

Yeltsin at Barvikha, a resort village 12 kilometers northwest of Moscow, where the president is vacationing.

Yeltsin did not speak with reporters afterward, but his spokesman, Sergei Medvedev, called the meeting "comradely and even friendly." He said Yeltsin pledged to work for parliament's ratification of the START 2 arms reduction treaty. (AP)

Princess Di, no longer royal, resigns from 100 charities

through to people and to give them hope which is so important." With her sons at boarding He added, "Perhaps she will schools, most charity duties gone, s of becoming roving come back one day goodwill ambassador apparently Relate, Britain's main marriage guidance counseling body, said it quashed, and only rare invitations to future royal events, Diana would keep the princess informed of its work. could face some long days in her

Angry Chechens protest killing of 13, demand investigation

MOSCOW (AP) - Outraged Chechens, shouting and crying, blocked a road into their capital Grozny yesterday to protest the killing of 13 people they said were slain by Russian troops. Both the Russian government and separatist rebels accused the other

of committing the atrocity. But the pro-Moscow Chechen government also angrily blamed Russians after talking to eyewitnesses - a reaction that appeared to lend credence to claims that federal troops were respon-

Chechnya's Vice Prime Minister Abdullah Bugayev quoted witnesses

as saying the victims were gunned down by Russian armored personnel carriers Monday night in the outskirts of Grozny. Bodies still lay at the roadside covered with bloody cloth yesterday and nearby cars were charred as a crowd of Chechens blocked the road where the massacre took place. Some shouted in rage and women wept over the bodies.

Bugeyev told the Interfax news agency that 11 of the bodies were burned and two were disfigured by stab wounds. Circumstances behind the killings remained unclear. The Russian military command, in a statement relayed through the Moscow-installed Chechen government, inicially said troops opened fire in response to a rebel attack on e military outpost.

Later yesterday, the Russians issued a statement denying involvement altogether. The military command claimed rebels had killed 13 civilians in "a flagranı provocacion ... to destabilize the situacion in the republic." Interfax reported.

Chechen government officials described Russian gunmen going on a rampage in two APCs, shooting at three vehicles, stabbing survivors to death, soaking their bodies in gasoline and then setting them on fire.

Government spokesman Ruslan Martagov blamed the "party of war" - hawkish Russian leaders - for the killings, and said they were meant to reignite the war and undernine peace efforts, Interfax reported. The killings in Grozny came in the midst of a Russian offensive

against the rebels in southeastern Chechnya, in which dozens of civilians have died.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Bomb hits Ukrainian prime minister's car KIEV, Ukraine (AP) - Prime Minister Pavlo Lazarenko narrowly escaped an assassination attempt yesterday when a bomb exploded in his motorcade, throwing a shadow on the country's newly formed government.

Lazarenko was treated for a slight neck injury and immediately eleased, police said. No major injuries were reported.

The blast, the first such high-level attack on a Ukrainian leader in modern history, generated political shock waves. It prompted a string of emergency closed-door meetings and heightened security around government buildings and embassies. No one immediately claimed responsibility. But Ukrainian media

and officials suggested it was tied to Lazarenko's powerful interests in Ukraine's gas and alcohol industries, and in many leading Ukrainian banks.

US official denies Saudis have escape car WASHINGTON (Reuter) - Amid signs of concern over Saudi Arabian cooperation, US defense officials denied on Monday that Saudi investigators had found the getaway car used in a bombing that killed 19 US servicemen near Dbahran.

"The car that was found is apparently not the vehicle involved in the June 25 incident," said one of the officials in response to questions about a Washington Post report that the Saudis believed they had found the car north of Dhahran:

The officials, who asked not to be identified, spoke with Reuters as concern appeared to grow in Washington over whether the Saudis were fully cooperating on the truck bomb that bit a housing US Air Force person molex used by

open on Cuba sanctions WASHINGTON (AP1 - President Clinton opened the way-yesterday-for legal action against foreign firms doing business in Cuba but imposed a LONDON (AP) - Princess Diana in-chief of five army regiments. six-month moratorium on lawsuits. He could extend the moratorium

again in six months.

Clinton leaves options

is giving up patronage of marriage counseling and the elderly, but sucking with ALDS, the Dallet, the ner no

bilateral commission that will handle trade and economic relations between the countries. (Reuter)

Russian President Boris Yeltsin greets US Vice President Al Gore, who is in Moscow to co-chair a

In a matter of considerable political and diplomatic significance Clinton decided that Americans who lost property in Cuba at the ome of the revolution may sue in US courts foreign firms now utilizing those assets.

But in an apparent attenuot to defuse the controversy as an election issue, Clinton held that no lawsuits may be filed before February 1. Officials pointed out that the issue will be back of Clinton's desk again

in mid-January because of the six-month clause, meaning that he reserves the right at that time to render meaningless the February 1 deadline.

Clinton said in a statement that as a result of his decision, "all companies doing business in Cuba are hereby on nooce that by trafficking in expropriated property, they face the prospects of lawsuits and significant liability in the United States."

He added that during the six-month suspension period, his administradon will work to promote democracy in Cuba.

The legislation has triggered an angry response from American allies. who have been insisting that Clinton exercise bis waiver authority on grounds that the United States should not have American jurisdiction beyond US shores.

Clinton also has faced pressure from Cuban-Americans and conservatives in general to open the way for legal action against the more than 100 foreign firms which have been operating on property taken from Americans more than 35 years ago. Clinton said the allies must understand that for countries and foreign

companies that take advantage of expropriated property, the choice is clear. "They can join our efforts to cease profiting from such property. They can join our efforts to promote a transition to democracy in Cuba. Or they can face the full implementation" of the law.

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homeless and a cancer bospital. Diana's mass resignation yesterday from nearly 100 charides left them free to find a real royal patron after her divorce from Prince Charles. It upset the abandoned and delighted the half dozen she's keeping.

It also raised new questions about how a 35-year-old, mulomillionaire divorcee will occupy herself. Diana resigned a day after the

first court stage of the divorce that will strip her of the prefix Her Royal Highness. Her spokeswoman, Jane Atkinson, said the princess has quit all but six charioes because of the "change in her status. Under the agreement to end the

15-year marriage, Charles will pay Diana a settlement that has been reported at £17 million (S26.35 million) and £400,000 (\$620,000) a year to run a private office. Shortly before Monday's divorce hearing, she resigned as colonel-

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Kensington Palace residence. "I don't understand what bas changed in her circumstances that sbe cannot give the commitment [to charities] in the future," the British Broadcast Corp.'s royal correspondent, Jenny Bond, commented. "The implication would seem to be she feels, perhaps, she's not worthy of them.

John Mayo, director of Help The Aged, a Briosh-based international charity whose income has quadrupled since Diana became patron 11 years ago, recalled accompanying Diana, then aged 25, on her first official visit to an old age home.

"She sat down on the floor. She took the hand of an old person in each hand and sbe said, 'My name's Diana. What's yours?' said Mayo. "It's that ability to get

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Other charices Diana has quit include the British Red Cross, the International Spinal Research Trust and the Garden Festival of Wales. She is left with just the English National Ballet; a leprosy mission connected to Mother Teresa; AIDS; a homeless charity; and two London hospitals, the Royal Marsden for cancer patients and Great Ormond Street for children.

"We are delighted and we feel privileged," said Derek Bodell, director of the National AIDS Trust. "We believe she has done more than almost anyone else to combat the stigma and misconceptions that soll surround HIV/AIDS."

Earlier, the Duchess of York, also no longer HRH since her divorce in May from Charles' brother, Prince Andrew, was quoted as saying she and Diana are off soon on a post-divorce vacation.

They will take along Diana's sons, Prince William, 14. and Prince Harry, 11, and the duchess' daughters, Princess Beatrice, 7, and Princess Eugenie, 6.

"We planned it together," the former Sarah Ferguson was quoted as telling the Daily Express "We thought it would be nice ... All cousins together."

Jewish cometery desecrated in Russia MOSCOW (AP) - Vandals desecrated several tombs at a Jewish cemetery in the central Russian town of Tambov, painting swastikas on the monuments, a news report said yesterday.

A number of Jewisb tombstones were overturned and a slogar painted on one declared that "The Nazis are alive," the ITAR-Tass news agency said.

Tambov is a major Communist Party stronghold in Russia's "red belt" where the city council defiantly flies the Soviet flag. It is about 420 kilometers southeast of Moscow in a conservative farming region.

A regional lawmaker and Jewisb community activist, Yakov Farber, told ITAR-Tass this was city's fourth desecration of Jewish tombs in recent years, and said he suspected a neo-fascist group. Security officials denied any such groups existed in the city, ITAR-Tass said.

Summation in trial of ex-Nazi Priebke ROME (Reuter) - A lawyer representing Italian Jews said yesterday that former SS captain Erich Priebke was "demonic....

and merciless," and urged a military court to sentence the 82-yearold German war-crimes defendant to life in prison.

Priebke, extradited from Argentina last November, is accused of complicity in the massacre of 335 men and boys at the Ardeatine Caves outside Rome in March 1944, the worst World War II atrocity in Italy.

Oreste Bisazza Terracini was the first of several civil plaintiff lawyers to give summations at Priebke's trial before a three-judge court. The trial, which began on May 8, faced a delay in its final phase over allegations that the bench was biased in Priebke's favor. A military appeals court yesterday put off until July 29 consideration of a request by the civil plaintiffs to dismiss the judges and order a new trial.

The appeals court last week rejected a similar request by the prosecution, which sought dismisal of the bench because of a conversacion presiding judge Agostino Quistelli had with e general predicting Priebke would be cleared.

> Indian authorities blamed for stampede at holy shrines

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NEW DELHI, India (AP) - Local authorities came under attack yesterday for their inability to cope with thousands of Hindu worshipers who stampeded et two Hindu shrines, killing et least 58 people.

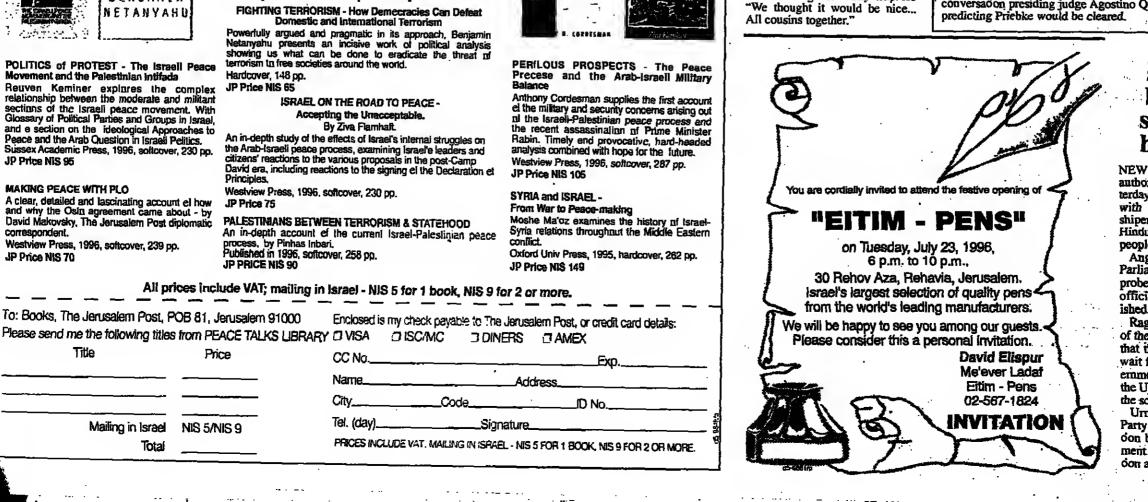
Angry legislators demanded in Parliament that a judge should probe Monday's disaster and the officials found guilty be punished.

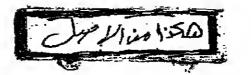
Raghavji, who uses one name, of the Bharatiya Janata Party, said that thousands of pilgrims had to wait for 11/2 hours for a local govemment official to offer prayer at the Ujjain temple. And that started the scramble.

Urmilaben Patel of Congress Party said there was no coordigaoon between the temple management and the district administraoon at the two shrines.

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MIDDLE EAST

Algerians struggle Lebanon's Christians face painful choice through strife Lebanon's Christians, relieved by the acquittal of a Christians, relieved by the acquittal of a Christian warlord for the bombing of a church in which

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everything was in a state of panic

and chaos," said his wife Farida,

working with him in their new pri-

vate communications business. An estimated 50,000 people

have been killed in the conflict

which erupted after the authori-

ties, in January 1992, canceled a

general election which Islamists

But as a sign perhaps of a more

relaxed atmosphere, a taxi driver, engrossed in debate with this

reporter and an Algerian sharing

the vehicle, shot straight through one road block enforced by

Republican guard paramilitary in

This reporter got a real fright.

Soldiers on road blocks have

killed several people for similar

"It is a great deal of progress, as

Over 50 journalists, whose work

was severely censored, have been

killed during the conflict, branded

by fundamentalist groups as sup-

porters of the government. Many more have fled abroad.

were poised to win.

eastern Algiers.

The worst was not the fire

Shows in the run-down capi-tal of Algeria, their bare shelves for so long a symbol of the violence and economic strife shaking this North African country, now show new signs of wealth.

But on the streets outside, children beg - a new sight too in Algiers where a former egalitarian oationalist system offered most people basic salaries and an adequate meal.

The killings in the conflict between Moslem fundamentalists and government security forces, which brought road blocks and identity checks to slow the heartbeat of the city, appear now to take second place in the concerns of ordinary Algerians.

Tight censorship has done noth-ing to jam "radio trottoir" - the "pavement radio" of rumor and fact that keeps Algerians better informed than their government would often like.

"Five men were killed this morning near al-Katar hospital in Algiers," a bearded young man told his boss at an airline office as he checked the computer to find a seat for a former general stranded by the strike of the state airline Air Algerie.

asked after glancing around. "They had their throats cut," he

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debt, moved to end subsidies and introduce a market economy.

EBANON'S Christians, relieved by the acquittal of a Christian warlord for the bombing of a church in which 11 people died, face an agonizing decision: Should they boycott next month's parliamentary polls because of an election law

that discriminates against them? Anti-Syrian Christian opposition leaders have called on people to repeat the boycott of the 1992 elections, denouncing the law as illegal and the voting as "the most dangerous forgery aimed at erasing the Lebanese homeland."

The 1992 boycott was a massive protest by most Christians and many Moslems against the preseoce of 35,000 Syrian troops in Lebanon, Damascus's influence over the government and the perceived unfairness of election arrangements.

But the result of the boycott was a pro-Syrian parliament and there bas been a growing realizatioo on the part of the Christian opposition that the boycott simply excluded them from national affairs.

Syrians now play the dominant role in the

Geagea, who could have been sentenced to death if found guilty for the 1994 church bombing, relieved fears by the Christian minority that he might become the only civil-war militia leader to be executed. But newspapers pointed out that he still remains the only sectarian chief to face trial, while pro-Syrian chiefs said to bave dirtied their hands in the war hold high office.

The court convicted four members of Geagea's militia for involvement in the

bombing, which it said was ordered and planned by the Israelis. Geagea is serving two life sentences for

murder and the opposition political party he formed after the war from his Lebanese Forces miliua was outlawed following the church bombing.

A Beirut newspaper said the election law imposed on Christian voters the same kind of political discrimination that Geagea has experienced.

Christian candidates are practically at the mercy of Moslem voters, with the contrary never being true," the French-lan-guage Beirut daily L'Orient-Le Jour said. Christian opposition leaders in exile - expresident Amin Gemayel and former army commander Gen. Michel Aoun - joined

right-wing National Liberal Party leader Dori Chamoun in issuing the boycott call a

meni, is tailor-made to ensure the election of Druse leader Walid Jumblat, an ally of the Syrian-backed government, at the expense of the Christians.

Volers were tom between the temptation of repeating the 1992 boycott, which did not bring the desired results, and taking part in a vole with only "hypothetical advan-tages," L'Orient-Le Jour said.

Mount Lebanon, home to the Druse and the only region where Christians have an overwhelming majority, is the only one of Lebanon's five governates that the law divides into smaller consultuencies, creating districts with Druse majorities that can elect Jumblat.

The law has been widely denounced as unconstitutional and contrary to the Taif accord of 1989, which set out the political settlement which ended the civil war and ruled that all constituencies should be based on governates. (Reuter)

Egyptian police kill terrorist leader

GYPTIAN police said they shot dead a wanted militant Islamist leader this week on the platform of a railway station io

southern Egypt. The Interior Ministry said in a statement that Sayyed Abderrahman Mustafa, 28, was standing alone on the platform in Abu Tig waiting to meet someone when the police ambushed him. It said Mustafa shot back but there were no police casualues.

The statement described Mustafa as the head of the military wing of the militant Gama'a al-Islamiya (Islamic Group) in the southern province of Assiut He was allegedly in charge of the mil-itary training of Gama'a members and had taken part in 20 attacks, in which 35 civilians and policemen were killed.

Police suspect Mustafa took part in an attack on a farm in nearby Badari in February this year, killing eight Christians. Mustafa, once a trainee teacher, comes from the Badari area.

Police meanwhile seized copies and a printer's proof of a book on the prophets of Islam called blasphemous by Moslem clerics.-

Three thousands copies of A Psychoanalysis of the Prophets had been sold before Al-Azhar, a university and religious complex that is a major seat of Islamic

learning, deemed it disrespectful

Government officials have

maintained Al-Azhar cannot ban

books and can only recommend.

But its recommendations are usu-

ally followed, especially con-

cerning books with religious

The book was seized for giving

incorrect descriptions of the char-

acters of religious prophets, said a

police source, who spoke on con-

dition of anonymity. The author, Abdullah Kamal,

was summoned for questioniog.

Kamal, a journalist for the liberal

magazine Rose el-Youssef, said it

would now be up to the courts to

judge if the book should be

to religious figures.

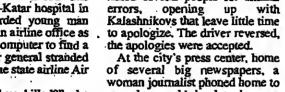
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Bronei Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah receives his subjects during the investiture ceremony in conjunction with his birthday at the state palace in Bandar Seri Bagawan on Monday. The sultan, the world's richest man, celebrated his 50th birthday with Prince Charles and Michael Jackson among his guests. (Reuter)

Saudis hinder US military moves



say she would be late because staff bad been "told that a hit-"How were they killed?" she squad was lurking for a high-pub-

replied. licity target." Farid, the youngest employee, added: "Yesterday, eight people were gunned down at a fake roadthey can now tell as in advance about possible attempts by terror-

But many Algerians appear to agree with the government view of a relative improvement of the security throughout Algeria. They see its pledge to fix the economy, however, as mere lip service for

While new cars jostle for space with ancient buses crammed with ordinary Algerians struggling to get to work, women pick through fruit and vegetables at prices which leave their baskets half empty. Inside city bread shops, the resilience of this nation of 28 milliou people is tested and an air of gloom is evident.

Prices of even basic goods have skyrocketed since the anthorities, spurred by creditor countries who bailed them out with rescheduling much of \$31 billion in foreign

ties for some, a battle for survival ers - dominates daily life in this overcrowded capital of four million people.

block in Algiers."

most people.

The press center was in the past three years a mourning place as slain colleagues' coffins were

brought before burial. The same place will be a rallying point for life place will be a railying point for life and freedom," said one journalist, referring to a strike planned for next week to protest at the authori-ties' shutting down of the French-language newspaper La Tribune. And earlier this month, more than 100 000 Alexing.

ists," she said.

100,000 Algerians, most of them young men and girls, swarmed Algiers's main leisure complex of Riad el-Feth to dance and sing to Rai music until the early hours of Algeria's Independence Day.

Two years ago in the western, Economic reality - opportuni-tity of Oran, Moslem guerrillas shot dead Cheb Hosni, a leading Rai singer. Others went abroad.

COURTRY. The acquittal last week of Samir

The decision by Christian voters whether or not to take part in the polls will sbow their willingness to accept that their community's position was subordinated by the 1975-90 civil war and that the

"Two years ago, the terror was 10-sided but now the situation is moving towards settling," said Hassan Imazighi, a young man

"Despite the thousands of dead, the young are trying to take up pleasure and joy again ... over-coming our fears of the violence," said a young girl who traveled from Oran to attend. (Reuter)

Bahrain, Qatar take dispute to Saudis

Italian judge puts off

terrorist hearing

A judge in Rome this week postponed a hearing to decide whether two Algerians and an Iranian should stand trial for the murder of an Iranian opposition figure in the Italian capital in 1993. Judge Alberto Macchia said he was putting off the hearing until September 25 because one of the suspects had not been officially noti-fied of the session

fied of the session. Mohammad Hussein Naghdi was killed by automatic weapon shots fired by assailants riding on a motorbike as he was being driven to his

office in Rome, where he served as representative in Italy of the National Council of the Iranian Resistance, which is part of the leading Iranian opposition group, the Mnjahedeen Khalq. The group blamed Iran's government for the killing; Teheran blamed the killing on discusses between opposition groups.

the killing on disputes between opposition groups. The Iranian Embassy in Rome "categorically denies any involvement hy

an Iranian diplomat" in the slaying, a statement said. According to court records, the three defendants are Adda Khatem and Salah Pidjelibt, both Algerian; and Alireza. Iazdi Neyad, an Iranian.

Italian newspapers say the three are living in Italy but are not in custody.

Lawyers for the victim's relatives, including his widow, Fermina Moroni, an Italian, said they would urge the Italian foreign ministry to

pressure Iranian authorities in hopes of bringing to justice a fourth person

considered a suspect according to Italian press reports - an Iranian whose diplomatic immunity would keep him from being prosecuted. (AP)

BaltRAIN'S crown prince said his country was pre-pared to fight to the death to defend territory that is also claimed by neighboring Qatar. The Hawar islands are part of Bahram and "we will not allow this fact to be lost under the cover of border claims and disputes," said Sheikh Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa. "We are ready at any time to

prove it with facts, defend it and die for its sake," be said during u meeting of high-ranking defense officials, the official Gulf News Agency reported.

Sheikh Hamad termed the Qatari claims on the islands "expansionism ... which does not have any limit."

The crown prince's comments came as the emir of Qatar, Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa, was in Saudi Arabia to discuss the dispute. Saudi Arabia neighbors both countries and has been seeking to act as a mediator in the dispute.

Qatar took the case to the International Court of Justice in 1991 after an earlier round of Saodi mediation failed. But Bahrain has rejected the court's

jurisdiction. Besides the Hawar islands, the dispute is also over territorial

water boundaries and the Zubara land strip in Qatar, where the Bahraini people's ancestors lived 200 years ago.

Relations between Bahrain and Qatar have been strained since 1986 when a Qatari helicopter seized 29 workers of a Dutch company sent by Bahrain to the disputed Fasht al-Dibal reef to build a Bahraini coast guard station there.

Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Bahrain are partners in the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council, a political and economic alliance whose other members are Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates and Oman. Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani was reported to have been joined in the Red Sea port city of Jiddah by Bahrain's prime minis-ter, Sheikh Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa.

Saudi Arabia, the dominant power in the GCC, has its own border dispute with Qatar. Its oilrich Eastern Province is linked to the island nation of Bahrain by a causeway.

sharp split between the US and Saudi Arabia bas Lemerged, with a top Saudi prince saying he opposes moving American soldiers to new housing which the Peotagon says would be less vulnerable to terrorists.

The comments by Defeose Minister Prince Sultan came during a visit to Saudi Arabia by FBI director Louis J. Freeh, who coutinued to press Saodi officials to grant his ageots access to all evidence gathered on the bombing of a US military housing complex in Dhahran last month. In the latest report on evidence,

official sources said this week they have found the getaway car used by the terrorists, who killed 19 US servicemen and injured hundreds of people in the June 25 attack. They said the white Chevrolet Caprice Classic was found in Dammam, 10km. from Dhahran, a few days after the bombing.

There was no explanation as to wby authorities did not disclose the discovery of the car until oow.

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FBI agents investigating the truck-bomb attack have been restricted to interviewing US airmen and sifting debris at the US military complex, a US law enforcement official complained. Freeb continued to press Saudi officials at the highest levels to grant his agents access to all evidence gathered on the bombing. Freeb's mission to resolve US-Saudi differences came as a US law enforcement official, requesting anonymity, explained some of the restrictions put on the more than 70 FBI ageots sent to the

Arab kingdom. "We haven't been allowed to talk to people in the community. We've been restricted to the US post and interviewing the US airmen," one US law enforcement official said. "They basically all say they were asleep, heard the explosion and saw no one."

The US agents want to conduct a full investigation, including talking with Saudi wimesses and anyone detained by the Saudis for

questioning in the attack, the official said. FBI agents in Dhahran's Khobar

Towers complex, home to 3,713 US servicemen, have analyzed rubble, debris from the truck and the bomb itself, but they have been hampered by a lack of forensic equipment on site. The FBI teams left so swiftly

for Saudi Arabia after the blast they could not bring much equipment with them and have had to borrow analytical instruments from the US Air Force, the official suid.

Meanwhile, a US Embassy source in Riyadh said Americans living in the kiogdom have received more phone calls threatening attacks from people speaking Arabic or broken English.

A recorded embassy hotline message warned US citizens living in the kingdom: "Individual Americans and companies in Saudi Arabia have been receiving phone calls threatening further attacks." week, Pentagon Last

spokesman Kenneth Bacon said it was virtually certain that some of the 1,500 US troops based in Riyadh will be moved to Saudi bases more easily defended againsi terrorists. The question is when and how

many" will be moved, he said. Saudi Arabian officials squashed the idea, however.

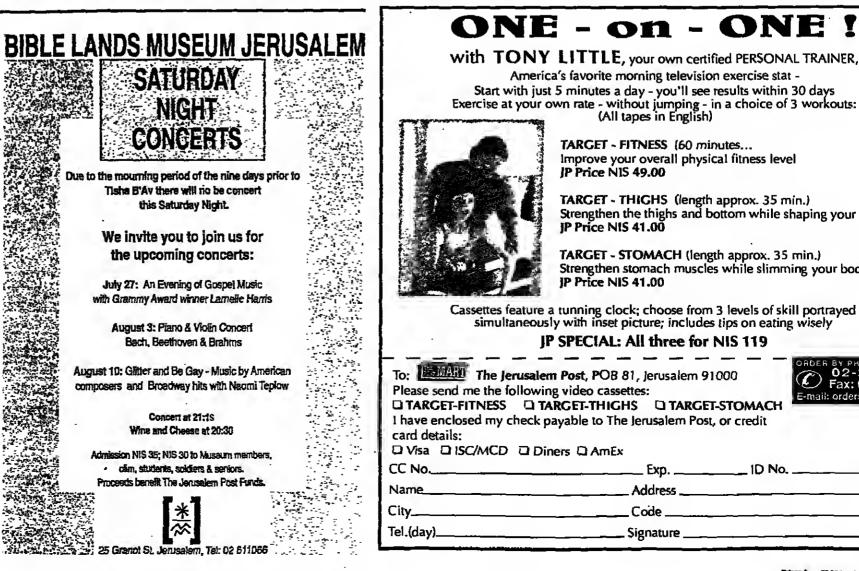
"If we have to move them from where they live, this means we have to prepare other accommo-dation for them," Prince Sultan said. "This is not right [because] security has been achieved, the rule of law prevails, and incidents that happen in our country now are only one out of a million compared to what happens in other countries," he said.

move troops.

He defended his work as "academic research based on other It was not clear how the prince's statements would affect the books found on the market, which American plans, but housing for US troops in Saudi Arabia is proare not banned" and are about the prophets' lives. Islam considers vided almost entirely by the Saudi earlier prophets - from Abraham to Moses and Jesus - to be among government and its cooperation would be required in any plan 10

(AP)

the faith's prophets, along with (Reuter) Mohammed



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A pillar of peace

N his speech before the United States Congress last week. Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu called reciprocity

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one of the three "pillars of peace." This par-ticular pillar has been received with some trepidation by the US administratioo - concerned that Netanyahu will use the Palestinian Authority's failure to honor signed agreemeots as a means to halt the peace process and largely derided hy the opposition here. who, while in power. let the Palestinians break their commitments with impunity.

It is difficult to understand the opposition to the prime minister's demand that reciprocity be taken seriously. Just because Israel is the strongest political and economic power in the Middle East, as former foreign minister Ehud Barak argued in The Jerusalem Post on Monday, does not mean it should allow its Arab partners to renege on signed agreements. Agreements are reciprocal by definition; reciprocity should be a given, not a controversial demand.

Netanyahu's opponents say that they are not opposed to the principle of reciprocity, ooly to it being used as an excuse to halt the peace process. Instead of complaining, these critics sbould realize that the concept of reciprocity could be a force that binds the prime minister to the peace process in two important respects.

First, all the Palestinian Authority must do to force the new prime minister to comply with the Oslo accords - agreements be roundly attacked during the electioo campaign - is to abide by them more fully themselves. The sure-fire way for Oslo proponents to propel the Netanyahu government down their road is to encourage Palestinian compliance.

Second, reciprocity is a two-way street. It is time to take inventory of aspects of the accords that Israel has been slow to implement

While Israel's failure to redeploy in Hebron is the most significant example of non-compliance - and the government cannot claim for much longer that it is studying the issue before making a decisioo - there are also the matters of opening Israeli agricultural markets to Palestinian goods, and "safe passage" between Gaza and the other cities under PA control.

Removing agricultural trade barriers would be a good place for Israel to show that it takes reciprocity seriously. There is no security Palestinian agricultural goods is more economic protectionism, pushed for by Israeli farmers, than anything else.

During the height of the closure, for exam-ple, special dispensations were granted to import Gaza-produced textile products, because Israel's industrialists needed them, while Gazan fruit and vegetables were banned. Liberaliziog agricultural trade – while maintaining quality standards – would beoefit both the Israeli consumer and the Palestinian economy.

The essence of Oslo's interim phase was Israeli withdrawal from the cities in the terri-tories in exchange for the Palestinians ceasing acts of terror and becoming partners in combating terrorism. Israel, having withdrawn from the Gaza Strip and six of the seven cities in the territories, has complied with the lioo's share of its side of the bargain.

The PA, though not engaging in terrorism itself, is still far from upholding provisions critical to the curbing of terrorism by others, such as the confiscation of arms and disarming of militias. The PLO Covenant has not been amended to recognize Israel's right to exist. Provisions providing for the extraditioo of captured terrorists have been openly flauoted. And PA offices and police continue to operate in Jerusalem.

Under the previous governmeot, there was a tacit agreement that oeither side would put its foot down regarding the ooo-compliance of the other. While there is a certain pragmatism to this approach, it bas gotten out of band. It is time for both sides to improve their compliance with the interim agreement before mov-

ing forward. While the PA has coosiderably further to go, Israel's oew government should lead the way by liberalizing trade with the Palestinians immediately and announcing its intention to abide by other provisions of the agreement that the previous government did not. Such moves, coupled with yesterday's announcement that the closure on the territories will be eased - a move which is necessary to both easing the Palestinians' economsary to both easing the Palestinians' econom-ic pligbt and reducing the pressure and frus-tration which inevitably builds "up during such a long period of mass unemployment in the territories – could smooth the prime min-ister's visit to Egypt tomorrow. Netanyahu should use this visit to show Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak that Israel intends to meet its obligations, thus putting

intends to meet its obligations, thus putting the ball squarely in the Palestinians' court. issue here, and it dovetails nicely with The concept of reciprocity, he can tell his bost will be employed to move the peace process forward, not stall it.



sensibilities. But that bit about reciprocity serving as the basis for a healthy and realistic peace? That was right on.

And reciprocity is the key to resolving another conflict between secular and religious in Israel.

Unfortunately, the baredi demand to close off Rehov Bar-Ilan in Jerusalem on Shahhat was made in anything but a spirit of reciprocity. And the attempt by National Religinus Party Mioister of Transportation Yitzhak Levy to impose a socalled compromise - closing off the street "ooly" during Shabbat prayer times - is disingenuous, even cynical.

Prayer hours change with the calendar, and drivers would be driven crazy keeping track of those shifting hours.

What's more, the haredim themselves make no bones about the fact that any such "compromise" would act as the thin end of the wedge, the aim being total de facto closure of the street after a few weeks. A little historical perspective is

in order.

Before the Six Day War Barllan led only tn the border with Jordanian-occupied eastern Jerusalem. Then the street was turned into a major arteri-

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baredi goons attempted to close down the nearby road to Ramot - which they are now toutiog as the reasonable alternative to a closed Bar Ilan.

And haredi leaders are demanding the closure of the major Sderot Weizman highway that connects French Hill to Ramot and skirts the new haredi neighborhood of Shuafat Ridge. They are also threatening to close down the western entrance to the city ioto which more and more haredim have been mov-

When opposing stands seem irreconcilable why not try a little reciprocity?

ing. And haredim in Boei Brak are demanding the closure of streets neighboring on a secular community.

ing on every appearance of a ors are open to the kind of easy, full-fledged war, fueled by the retaliation that could make hare. recent electoral successes of the di life very difficult in many haredi parties.

Can such a war be avoided? Ooly by reciprocity - that is to of wisdom for haredi leaders to say, the recognition by differ-

Secular consideration for haredi sensibilities io Bar Ilan is certainly desirable - but only if consideration is mutual.

Let me assure the haredim that to very many Jerusalemites and other Israelis - incloding "traditional" Jews who attend synagogue hut travel on Sbabbat the lack of Shabbat bus transport is at least as great an incoove-nieoce and affront as Shabbat traffic in baredi neighborhoods is to the haredim.

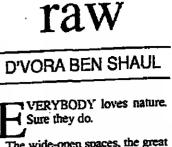
The apparent haredi chnice of exploiting political advantage to go to war against secular Jews iostead of seeking reciprocal accommodatioo raises a question: Sbould one act tolerantly toward the iotolerant?

Religious-secular warfare is clearly contrary to haredi principles. One principle that bas guided haredi rabbis for centuries - and even in modern Israel - is oever to provoke "the goyim." Surely the same principle applies to the non-Orthodax

majority? The baredi commonities would be extremely vulnerable to secular retaliation in a religious-secular war, and it needn't come on Bar-llan itself. THESE SALAMI tactics are taken; er shops and other food purvey-

parts of the country.

It would be the far greater part seek accommodatioo with secu-



The wide-open spaces, the great outdoors, getting away from it all ... you know.

You load up the car with the sunscreen and the bats and the insect repellent and the water bottles and the styrofoam jug of something sweet to drink and, of course, the charcoal and the portable grill and the camping gas and a pan and a bottle of oil in case you want to make chips - oh, and the cooler-box.

Then you've got the salads and the mustard and pickles and ketchup and humous and tehina. the hamburgers and the frank-furters and the steaks and the chicken wings - and don't forget the barbecue sauce.

Oh yes - and the camera and the radio-cassette player and some cassettes and an aerosol of insecticide just in case there are ants or flies about.

Then you load up the family and the dog, and yoo're off to enjoy nature. Hopefully you haven't forgotteo to provision yourself with some snacks for the short trip there; the children may be hungry. In any case, how would they entertain themselves for a whole hour if they didn't have aluminium foil bags to hold out of the window? It's educational, see? The bag catches the air stream of the car, and when the pressure builds up it takes off, just the way the physics teacher explained about aerodynamics.

But the important thing is that after a few hours in a public park or planted forest with good picnic tables - or, if you live close enough, on the shores of the Kinneret - you go home happy because you've been out in nature. Of course the nearest thing to nature you saw was the ants you sprayed away and the big black beetle you squashed; and you oever heard a bird sing or the wind in the trees because a cassette was playing.

But as far as you're concerned you've been out in nature. And doo't we all just love it?

UNFORTUNATELY the kind of confusion that makes people think everything out of town is nature.

We all love nature provided we have our grills and our

In the

Let's meet halfway YOSEF GOELL throwing

Netanyahu's free-market thrust. Indeed, there is a strong suspicion that the blocking of

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Unnecessary strike

ment age from 65 to 70. But Labor lost the election; instead it is the

ODAY'S strike, called by the Histadrut, is more than pointless. It is a startling reminder of the intellectual and moral bankruptcy of Israel's labor movement. Of the estimated 400,000 workers expected to obey the call to stay bome from work - or if not stay home, enjoy a day at the beach or a barbecue in a public park few, if any, have any real idea as to the strike's purpose.

This is not surprising, because there is oo real reason behind the walkout, except for the fact that it is a Likud governmeot, and not Labor, that is trying to clear up the economic mess left behind by the previous government. As the stock market slump shows all too clearly, the economy needs more than an aspirin if it is to recover from from the fiscal irresponsibility of the past four years.

The budget cuts decided on by the government were not drawn out of thin air. Some were part of the "100 days plan" prepared by a team of Shimon Peres's advisers, who were given a brief to prepare the next Labor government's policy guidelines. Like the present incumbents of the Prime Minister's Office and the Treasury, Peres's aides proposed cutting child benefits and school bours; they even suggested raising the mandatory retire-

Likud which is introducing these vital, budget-cutting measures. If these measures are so dangerous to the working public, it is Histadrut Chairman Amir Pereiz's duty to offer sensible alternatives. But all we have heard from him is the tired old rhetoric one thought bad died out with the fall of the Berlin Wall. The call to "tax the rich" by placing a payroll tax oo employers and eliminating the government's annual NIS 8 billion payment to the National losurance Institute only highlights the Histadrut's lack of understanding as to how a modern economy works. Payroll taxes, although they sound good on the barricades, make hiring workers more expensive. Employers, if faced with such a levy, will look to make staff reduc-tions, and it is the blue-collar workers, and not the rich, who will be suddeoly out of a

Today's strike will not achieve its aim, for the government cannot afford to deviate from its economic plan. Instead, bundreds of thousands of citizens, including the elderly and infirm, will be severely incoovenienced, as the Histadrut scores what it sees as political points but in reality is just another nail in the labor federation's coffin.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

LUNATIC DRIVERS

Sir, - May I suggest a method nf controlling the lunatic drivers that plague nur roads and whom the police apparently bave difficulty catching.

Motorists may have indiced that a car being driven recklessly aften continues in this manner until it is out of sight. This means you are not the only witness to the bad driving which, no donbt, happens every time a particular driver is at the wheel nf his car. It is certain that dozens of other drivers have onticed it.

I suggest that at licensing time, every driver be issued a number nf forms nn which be can make an adequate report nf any act nf dangerous driving. The authorities cannot act on the strength nf just one report. but if a number nf reports come in from different - independent - people, complaining about the same car, the person habitually driving that car can be traced and appropriately dealt

N.M. RASBASH Ramat Efal.

TENDENTIOUS REPORTING

Sir, - At best, your report "Several Knesset committee heads face legal charges" (J.P., July 4) demon-strates spectacular lack of judgment. Having noted the uproar about the appointment of Raphael Pinhasi of Shas as chair of the Knesset House Committee, it continues, "But almost nothing was heard about the appointment of Sallah Tarif (Labor) as chairman of the Interior Committee, although he faces charges of illegal bunting and bunting without a license."

Jerusalem.

Some comparison! Consider the facts which were included in the article. Pinhasi is prepared to chair the committee which will be asked to lift his immunity so that he can stand trial for fraud. By cootrast, Tarif has asked that his immunity be lifted so that he can face charges for

any more be said? M.C.J. ELTON

marriage, divorce and conversion according to Torah traditioo were Conservative Movement 100 years later. It was they who split traditional Judaism - and mass assimilation

Prime minister David Ben-Gurion, founder of modern Israel, did not want e split in the ranks nf Judaism. He agreed that the Orthodox should control marriage, divorce and conversion.

infractions of the hunting law. Need since the founding of the state. SHMUEL GOLDSTEIN

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STATUS OUO Sir, - Let's get the facts straight. For thousands If years the laws If accepted by the observant and secular Jew alike. About 200 years ago a division among Jews set in. The Reform Movement began in Hunga-ry and Germany, followed by the

was the result.

It is the Reform and Conservative movements that are now nibbling away at these laws, and the Orthodox who are trying to maintain the status quo that has been accepted

al thoroughfare - as a cances- ent parts of the populatioo that aod Shabbat traffic in response to haredi demands. Promises were made hack

then: There would be nn further demands to close off Rehov Barllan to traffic. Some years ago, stone-

sion for clusing off Strauss conflicting interests exist, and Ychezkel streets to a readiness to reach viable compromises that could be painful. Thus far the haredim bave pre-

ferred the path of imposing their

Dead-end for democracy

HERE'S somethiog odd about the insistence that

one has a fundamental right to travel down a particular street at a particular hour. Roads, after all, get closed off all the time - for repairs, for parades, for security reasons, or simply to ease traffic management.

Bar-Ilan open duriog Shabbat or close it off? That is the question, and the way the violent religious-secular conflict over it is handled could threateo the future of democracy in this country, eveo though the issue itself may not appear to be of such fundamental importance.

While Shahhat is a pillar of Jewish tradition, oot having ooe's Sabbath peace disturbed by potential Sahbath violators isn'i. And while freedom of movement is central to iodividual liberty, the individual's freedam to take the shortest route th his destination won't be found in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights or in any of Israel's basic laws. The most important question raised by the confrontation over Reboy Bar-Ilan is: Can the people of this country and its capital really govern themselves; and can they through free and fair elections effect changes in rules - like those gaverning the move-ment of traffic - that impinge on

their lives? Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmert and Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu were both elected at the bead of cnalitions that promised to close off Rehov Barllan to traffic during part of Sbabbat.

Precisely because partial or total closure of a single street infringes on no one's hasic liberties - that is to say, it raises no fundamental constitutinnal issues regarding freedom of religion or freedom from religion -

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MICHAEL KOCHIN

it is the duty of the administrative apparatus of a democratic state, and that includes the judiciary, to carry out the decisions of those whom the people bave democratically elected to make these decisions.

Instead the High Court saw fit on Friday to block implementation of the partial closure of

The High Court is using the machinery of the law to thwart the people's will

Rehov Bar-Ilan.

Appareotly the justices reasoned according to the expressed view of Justice Aharon Barak, that a mere change of transportation minister - or, dare 1 say, of national government - does not suffice to legitimate an aboutturn regarding a single street in Jerusalem.

Yet if a change of government cannot legitimately bring about the closure of Rehov Bar-Ilan, what can?

THE HIGH Court is using the machinery of the law to thwart the will of the people in a relatively small matter. But as has been clear to the friends of liberty througbout the West for centuries, it is only by exercising vigilance in small matters that we can prevent transgressions in greater ones.

By defending drivers' legitimate desire - hut not their right to drive down Rehov Bar-Ilan on Shabbat, the High Court has attacked the people's fundameotal right to self-governance.

And we ought not, surely, to be

lar Israelis over the issue of Rehov Bar-Ilan. The overwhelming majority of the secular population will be ready to meet them half-way.

The writer comments on cur-

astonished that such a violation of basic democratic liberties bas only served to fuel the violence. The comparisoo may sound extreme, but by looking at a place like Algeria we can see the lives lost and economic ruio brought about wheo the state apparatus chooses to rule despite the people.

After more than 200 years of modern democracy, one lesson ought to be clear to those who fancy themselves the goveroors of the people. No amount of police violeoce will suffice. to overturn the will of the people when the people aim to exercise their democratic rights. If decisions, democratically

arrived at, are iosufficient to change state policy, theo citizens have or recourse bot to implement those decisions beyond the realm of law. And theo it is only a question of time - and of blood - uotil they do implement them.

It would be both perverse and tragic if the conflict over the closure of one single street proved sufficient to push this country over from mob violence into revolutionary violence. I doo't think it is sufficient.

Yet if the administrative apparatus of the state cannot realize the people's liberty of self-government io a small matter, a larger issue will soon similarly arise. And if and when it does, it will reignite the same sort of conflict, only this time with greater violence.

The state's capacity for brutal violence notwithstanding, such a conflict will eventually overturn those who seek to govern by thumbing their ooses at democracy.

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lies at the root of some of our most serious environmental problems.

It was this confusion that led our ery urban prime minister to put the Environment Ministry and the Agriculture Ministry together, although their aims and goals are totally contrary. Agriculture wants what the farmers feel is best for them; enviroomeotalists want what is best for the total environment

It was also this limited thinking that made the newly-appointed agriculture and environment minister decide, as one of his very first moves, to combine the National Parks Authority with the Nature Reserves Authority. Here again the conflict between the interests of the two organizations is so great as to make them the most impossible bedfellows.

The duty of the Parks Authority is to provide as much convenience and comfort as possible in scenic recreational areas throughout the country. This means more picnic areas, more cookout sites, more kiosks, wider and straighter roads, easier walking paths and all the other services visitors require.

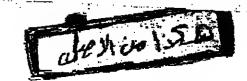
The Nature Reserves Authority, on the other hand, is there to protect and preserve natural settings and wildlife in as natural a condition as possible. Needless to say, this isn't always compatible with more public services and accessibility.

It is no part of the purpose or responsibility of the Nature Reserves Authority to address itself to the needs of any sector of the public - except those who want to visit nature as it is.

Such a visit may not suit small children, the family dog is definitely not welcome, and your radio could scare away animals, which would be a pity. But for those who want a real taste of nature, the authority provides the minimal conditions that make this possible.

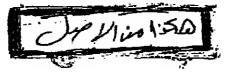
Don't get me wrong. There is a place for parks and gardens. They are lovely, and I enjoy them. But they shouldn't be confused with nature. My fear is that such confusion may, in the long run, deprive ns of a rare national treasure.

The writer contributes an environment column to The Jerusalem Post:



To keep Jerusalem's Rehov

will by force when they think they have the political clout to rent affairs. succeed.



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FEATURES

'Mister, this isn't Ethiopia'

An Ethiopian woman gives counsel to a community still coming to terms with Israeli culture, Sylvia **Benjamin-Lief** reports

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Six years ago," says Carol Goldgeier, "an Ethiopian woman called us from her social worker's office to complain that her husband was abusing her. We felt that the situation was very grave, and we gave the social worker the numbers of all the shelters in Israel so that the woman could be taken out of her home immediately. Unfortunately, she did not take her social worker's advice, and went home. That evening her husband killed her and her three children."

According to Goldgeier, resource development coordinator at the Haifa Feminist Center "Isha Le'isha," of the many women who die each year as a result of violence against them by their family members, "the number of victims among immigrants from the for-mer Soviet Union and Ethiopia is greater than in the rest of the Israeli population. This got us thinking about a project to help Ethiopian immigrant women."

The project was initiated in 1994, and as part of its promotion campaign, Isha Le'isha and the Rape Crisis Center (two of the four agencies of the Women's Coalition), printed a pamphlet in Amharic on its services. "We're also trying to reach ont to Ethiopian community leaders who we know are essential in helping the project work," claims Goldgeier, "and Hannah Dessie has played an important role in our organizations".

Dessie, who joined Isha Le'isha in 1994, has been running support and environmental gronps for Ethiopian women in five locations in the north. Two of them are in her hometown Nazareth Illit, and throughout the week she. commutes to the other three in Tira and Neveh Carmel near Haifa, and Hatzrot Yasaf near Acre.

Her college education in Addis

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Hannah Dessie of Haifa's Isha I'Isha with an Ethiopian immigrant support group.

the police.

The women discuss the issue of proof of the Ethiopian communiraising children in Israel, and problems connected with schools stemming from the difficulties of immigrating to an unfamiliar society. Dessie also talks to them about sexual violeoce in terms of women's legal rights. She tells them whom they can turn to, and advises them on the procedure involved in dealing with the various anthorities,

At first, Dessie hesitated to speak openly, for fear publicity might do more barm than good for the women who flee to the coalition for shelter. Now, however, having become active at the rape crisis center this year, she offers her opinions.

"In Ethiopia there was no such thing as incest. The first time I ever heard of such a thing was on Israeli TV. I was shocked. Now, for the last four years, I have been hearing about such cases in my own community. It is dreadful A shame. [Community members'] values have changed. They've lost their self-respect."

She is convinced the community's moral deterioration is due to

and don't share our problems with outsiders."

ty's growing awareness. The more than 150 volunteer staff who have been trained by a paid staff of 40 female social workers, or students in the profession, contribute thousands of work hours at these hot lines. They counsel women in person and over the phone, and even accompany them in crisis situations to hospitals, the courts and

"IT IS important for women to feel comfortable in sharing their problems," says Nina Mizrahi, general coordinator of the coalitions's four sections. "Before Hannah came aloog, we couldn't get the Ethiopian women to recognize the importance of getting together on a regular basis. Wherever she has worked, Hannah has had a high level of success. Many women participate in her meetings and there is a great sense of satisfaction. "The women talk to her after the

meetings and tell her how important it is and how they've waited for her to come. Also, they recall how things were different before Married life was smoother in

Ethiopia, she believes, because e woman knew her rightful place. It was in the home. If she didn't satisfy her husband's demands, he would beat her. "Nobody got killed and there were no problems, but here social workers show the woman her rights. A woman must learn a trade and work outside the home while a man waits at home

alone." Dessie says that most of the community's women have grasped Hebrew and local customs faster than have the men. She thinks this is a source of jealousy and even causes husbands to become suspicious of wives. "The social worker tells him, 'Mister, this isn't Ethiopia, this is Israel. Here you must give a woman her freedom.' He vents his frustration on his wife and children, blaming them for the social worker's intrusion and hisloss of pride."

The elders too have suffered a blow to their dignity, says Dessie: "My father-in-law insists that my husband and I take him to visit his brother who lives far away. He wants us to skip work and doesn't understand our refusal and lack of TESDECL. Dessie tries to help mothers cope with educational problems. "The schoolchildren have a tough time

too. For example, a boy of 14 comes here, and they give him a test with a psychologist. They show him all sorts of shapes. How should he know what to do? Where could he learn this? In Ethiopja he was in a village helping his father." She suggests that the authorities

(Eyal Lansman)

could do more to understand the Ethiopians. "A scbool principal might recommend special education just because she interprets a child's respectful behavior as stupidity, They don't know us," she says, referring to the social workers and the educational system, "and they don'l really want to learn our culture and customs. If they want to get along with us and help us, they should try to understand us better." However, coordinator Mizrahi is optimistic and says there has been an increased number of referrals by professionals who work with the Ethiopian community but lack the skills or the knowledge of the culture to deal with the victims them-

selves. Recently the municipal department of social welfare asked Dessie to set up a women's empowerment in the Gesner Paz district of Haifa. For Dessie, this will mean giving up more hours from her tightly scheduled day. As il is, she often returns home from work around midnight. But she feels that she cannot refuse to help where she can.

A time spot for each child

RUTH MASON

WE RECENTLY ran a col-umn in which readers shared memories they had of their childhoods that made them feel most loved. By far the most popular memory was that of one-on-one time spent with e par-

ent away from the disruptions of sibling and household demands. This kind of time, rare in busy families, is precious to a child and helps to develop trust and self esteem. The following are some suggestions, adapted from guide-lines drawn up by the International Counseling Reevaluation Communities, on how to spend special time with you child.

1. Because it's hard for many parents to focus their attention solely on their child without thinking about the laundry that needs to get folded or that stubborn work problem they haven't been able to solve, try to limit the special time to e half hour or an hour.

It's helpful to have it at the same time each week so the child can begin to look forward to this regular block of time that is "all his." Arrange things so that you will not be interrupted by the telephone, doorbell or other family members' needs. Sometimes it works best to be out of the house,

2. Try to choose a time when you're feeling good. If you're upset, overly tired, preoccupied or just in a bad mood, it will be hard to focus attention and good feelings

on your child. 3. Let your child choose the activity (or no activity) for this period of time and try to go with it. If your son or daughter wants to play video games and you don't know what's flying, try sitting there with him and being a one-person cheering squad.

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If you're spending special time with a baby, get down on the floor with him or her and just be there, while watching and paying anention to him or her.

As the guidelines state: "During special time, your child is in charge of her relationship with you. This reversal of the usual balance of power lets your child communicate with you about things she cannot entrust to you in the everyday bustle of family life with its many interruptions and speedy pace."

Focus on the positive in your child, the things you most love about him. Try and show that in your expression and tone. Keep letting him know, by your expression, touch and tone of voice, that you are paying attention to and enjoying his company.

5. Follow your child's lead and keep showing approval. Don't offer your own ideas or direction. This is his time. If you had a hard time during special time, find a caring friend or relative to talk to and try to get out whatever feelings you had. That should make it easier the next time. Good luck!

TV networks have the last laugh

F you can't make them laugh, you can always fake them aughing. Pre-recorded chuckles and

applause - known as sweetening have flavored television programs for four decades despite the sour taste it leaves in some mouths.

Comedians tend to shy away from such artificial approval. Viewers gripe about being overrun by fake suffaws. One producer, Jay Tarses, has tried banning laugh trucks from his series.

But nearly every comedy ever on TV - not to mention game shows. rock and comedy concerts and awards ceremonies including the Oscars and the Emmys - has been sweetened.

with their programs, the sound of studio audiences picked up by microphones. Conventional wisdom also decreed that the communal laughter enjoyed by movie audi-ences was vital to making TV comedies work.

Originally, canned laughs were used to fill in when scenes were added or changed after an audience had viewed a show, Prau said.

Later, a spate of series were filmed without an audience, like The Donna Reed Show and Father Knows Best, and required technicians to provide all the reaction. Eventually, says Pratt, "it got out of control" as producers and writers pushed for bigger chuckles. The public began to rebel.

Ababa and der tra at the cer ter have qualified her to counsel women on many issues. She has lectured, beld discussions, and given personal support in family, social and educational affairs including women's health, personal security, and issues of violence.

exposure to the media bere. But the coalition's coordinators tend to disagree. They regard the increased number of incoming calls to the battered women's telephone bot lines, another of the coalition's services, as irrefutable

she came to meet with them "The root of our problem is the new language and new customs," says Dessie. It is very difficult for our community. For example, marital problems in the villages in Ethiopia are solved by parents or the elders. We are very secretive

the tew succoms that med to g without tended to be short-lived. Talk about the last laugh. Laugh-track pioneer Carroll Pratt contends that the entertainment

industry has learned to judiciously use a process it once abused. "It's not a dishonest profession anymore," Pratt said. "The need has been seen, and since it's become more conservative I think they're

[critics] living with us OK." Only news programs, dramas and sports events are exempt from the wizards of mirth, technicians who sit at small, putty-colored consoles and use 12 buttons and three levers to coax audience tapes into a symphony of glee.

Titters, chuckles, belly laughs, catcalls and more are part of the mix.

Pratt began working in the late 1950s with Charles Douglass, who invented a laugh machine while at the CBS network, and has doctored shows ranging from 1 Love Lucy 10 It's Garry Shandling's Show. It all started honorably enough, says the semiretired Pratt. Radio lis-

teners were used to getting laughs

The major complaint was were laughing at things that weren't funny. Then we got letters saying we don't need some guy pushing a button to tell us when to laugh," he recalled.

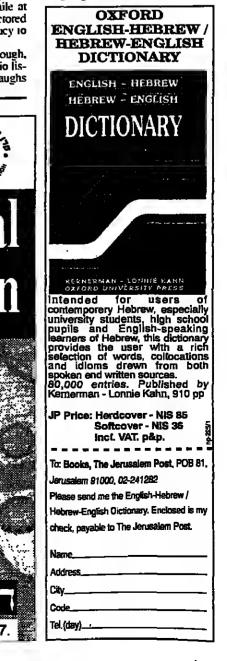
The industry finally began practicing restraint - to an extent.

"In pilot seasons, things are overlaughed terribly." Pratt says, referring to the showcase period when producers try to sell shows to the networks.

There are other anempts to cheat a

"Some producers bring in all of their underlings and writers and get close to an eudience mike and yuk it up," he said. "It's bad in one area because the writers, knowing the gag is coming, usually start laughing before it spills."

You don't make a joke furiny by laughing at it," Prao said. (AP)



THE population of China has doubled in the last 40 years and now stands at 1.2 billion.

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The communist regime originally preached that a huge populatioo meant strength and in the early years of their rule discussion of birth control was taboo. But by the mid-1950s the concern felt by many economists and planners was beginning to he made public. Professor Ma Yincbu of Peking University warned in 1957 that shortly after 2000 the population of China would reach some two billion, more than the population of the world at the time he spoke. In fact it is unlikely to be quite as big as that. Recent press reports in China suggest the figure will he between 1.30 and 1.32 billion by 2000.

But at the time that sort of warning eppeared to be taken seriously, at least in cities. Exhibitions on birth control were packed, the price of contraceptives was drastically reduced, and clinics were crowded with people seeking advice. All sorts of bizarre methods of birth control were put forward.

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populati The tiny and ancient General Shao Litun, who had been governor of Shanxi province under Nationalist leader Chiang Kaishek, told the National People's Congress, China's parliament, of e

country remedy. Women, he said, should "take 14 tadpoles less than 14 days old and swallow them live. The following day they should take 10 more and barrenness is guaranteed for five years. At the end of five years take the same dose again and yon are barren for the rest of your days."

Someone wrote to the People's Daily complaining that "Chinesemade pregnancy-avoiding wrap-pers have weak sides and should he avoided."

But a year later, as the radical campaign dubbed the Great Leap Forward got under way, Chairman Mao Zedong displayed the flexibility of his ideology that was to become e characteristic of his later

He had earlier mentioned the dangers of an uncontrolled birthrate in a section of his important speech "On Contradictions," which at that time was unoub-

lished. In 1958 Mao declared that "with every stomach comes another pair of hands" and that "under the leadership of the Communist Party miracles can be wrought as long as there are men." Professor Ma, 77, was dismissed. Others were silenced and

birth control was once more termed a rightist notion. China was entering a four-year-

long famine, which turned out to be the worst in world history, and which American demographers calculate claimed 30 million lives. The famine was mainly the result of policies and directives from Mao as part of the Great Leap Forward. Yet he told e cooference that "it will be found that the amount of arable land is oot too little but too much, and it is not a question of over-population but rather a shortage of manpower.

China is still suffering from this policy. The baby boomers have now reached child-bearing age. The present leaders beve pointed out that the country bas to support 22 percent of the world's population on about seven percent of its

arable land.

Consequently in 1980 a strict one-child-per-family law was promulgated. Stiff financial penalties are imposed on those who disobey, though for e nime it was relaxed in country areas where it was highly unpopular.

Dream or nightmare?

The great drop in the mortality rate since the communists came to power in 1949 means that China's is an aging society.

Chinese tradition has always been that children look after their parents in old age; thus the more the better. But the Communist Party secretary of southem Guangdong Province said in an

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The program is subject to changes

interview that with the great increase in people's spending power, many felt they no longer had to rely on children to look after them when they were old. Population controls have often not been imposed on ethnic minorities such as Tibetans, Uighurs and Mongols. This has meant that their numbers have grown more rapidly than those of the Han Chinese who make up 90 percent of the population. Minorities rose by 35 percent

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Israel, Jordan, US launch joint investment project KEREN MARKUZE

EVELYN GORDON

A trilateral pilot program aimed at supporting industrial R&D is being launched by the US. Israel and Jordan, with the the goal of introducing new products and technologies into the marketplace.

Known as Project TRIDE, for Trilateral Industrial Development, the program is meant to demonstrate that public-private partnership can efficiently generate new jobs, mar-kets, and income for all three coun-

This effort is directly connected to the peace process. "Peace must be cemented with economic realities." said Jordanian Ambassador Omar Risai According to US Ambassador Martin Indyk, to ensure lasting peace, "it is essential for all sides to improve material circumstances of people of each region.

This is an example of how the private sector can be the engine of the peace train, creating a more interactive, integrated Middle East market," Indyk added.

The three governments will contribute a total of \$1 million, or 50 percent of the costs. The other half will come from three private compa-

Ministry's visa department Batya

while the ministry has no accurate

figures on the number of illegal

workers, it could be as much as

six times higher than the official

The country has become a mag-

net for foreign workers, wbo

either enter on forged documents

Interior Minister Eli Suissa said,

nowever, that since there were no

accurate figures, it was irresponsible to throw out "unrealistic"

Suissa did agree that illegal for-

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lem, however, and noted that an

interministerial committee had

already been set up to look for

ways to solve the problem.

or by posing as tourists, she said.

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Control Committee yesterday.

nies chosen to participate in the venture. Professional and technical support will be provided by the Israel-US Binational Industrial Research and Development Foundation (BIRD).

THE government's preferential treatment of pension funds com-On the Jordanian side, the project is to be run by the Jordan Investment Promotion Corp. (JIPC) which became operational last January folpared to provident funds is one of the main reasons behind the public's lowing the passing of legislation that current flight from provident funds, a petition to the High Court of entrusts the corporation with giving direct financial assistance to busi-Justice charged yesterday. The petition, filed by the

ness ventures Association of Banks in Israel on According to JIPC director-generbehalf of the banks' provident al Dr. Taleb Risai, this law was part of Jordan's continuing effort to funds, demanded that the government provide the provident funds with a "safety net" similar to that improve its economy by emphasizing government investment rather than relying on foreign funding. given to pension funds, to guarantee Suggested areas of trilateral provident fund investors a minimal

rate of return.

The pension funds' safety net

comes from special government

bonds which bear a 5% interest rate

- far more than the market rate.

Provident funds, however, are not

allowed to buy these bonds, even

investment include communication technologies, tourism, agriculture, education, and health.

The complementarity between what the advanced Israeli society has to offer and the reasonably priced cost of production and the educated workforce we have to offer can put together a good package," said Risai.

Petition: Gov't should give better treatment to provident funds

EVELYN GORDON

though "hundreds of thousands" of people, according to the petition, use provident funds to save toward their pensions. Being at the mercy of the market, provident funds fre-quently achieve lower rates of return than pension funds, and this makes it impossible for them to compete with pension funds, the petition said.

This is one of the main reasons that the public is abandoning provident funds, the petition said. At one time, the petition noted, provident funds and insurance

companies also enjoyed the special bonds, but once the government stopped issuing them, the understanding was it would soon

stop issuing them to pension funds as well, said attorney Moti Arad, who prepared the petition.

However, the pension fund rescue plan approved by the government in March 1995 made it clear the govemment intends to continue providing pension funds with the special bonds for the foreseeable future, and this was a severe blow to provident funds. Arad said.

This decision was one of the factors, and maybe even a central factor, in sending a message to the public that provident funds do not have the government's backing," Arad said. Insurance companies are also discriminated against in this respect, and the Association of Insurance Companies has filed a similar petition to the court which is still pending.

across Green Line DAVID HARRIS DEPUTY Construction and Housing Minister Meir Porush called for the continued development of the Jerusalem corridor on both sides of the Green Line during a tour of the Beit Shemesh and

Betar areas yesterday. "In the Labor Party, as well, there are many people who say we should build in certain places that are linked to Greater Jerusalem, in order to reenforce Jerusalem," he said.

As part of the plan to extend the city's western periphery, the min-istry hopes to build 60,000 new homes in Ramat Beit Shemesh, Betar, and Tzur Hadassah. Link roads would be built from Betar to Gush Etzion and Highway 39 would link the area to Jerusalem's Ein Kerem entrance. Ministry officials said yesterday

they are pressuring the Industry

and Trade Ministry to construct several industrial parks in the area, including a "Silicon Valley" area at the Latrun Junction off

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Porush supports expanding

Jerusalem corridor

Highway 1. The planned expansion of Tzur Hadassah and the construction of Highway 39 has been opposed by some local residents and many environmentalists.

The proposed expansion of Betar, meanwhile, which is over the Green Line, is not linked to politics, "but merely a decision based on professional judge-ments," said the ministry's head of Jerusalem region Rina Zamir. She also called for improvements in the Tel Aviv to Jerusalem rail line as soon as possible which, she said, would reduce commuting time from Bet Shemesh to major employment areas.

Central bank denies call for NIS 3b. budget cuts in '96 -JA

THE Bank of Israel denied reports yesterday that Governor Jacob Frenkel is suggesting the govern-ment make an additional NIS 3 bil-

lion cuts this.year. The cabinet has agreed to imple-ment NIS 350 million cuts for 1996, but it is known that Frenkel is press-ing for further savings. Bank officials said they could not confirm that the governor wants to see such large cuts, but admitted that he hopes additional savings will be made this year. Before the cabinet agreed to the '96 and '97 budget savings program earlier this month, Frenkel had said he wanted to achieve a savings of NIS 6b. over the next 18 months. With the cabinet having set a savings target of NIS 4.9b. next year,

additional cuts of at least NIS 1b. this year.

Meridor is said to be closely monitoring implementation of this year's budget and said yesterday he will do his best to prevent any deviation from the target deficit.

The Finance Ministry document containing the cuts proposals states that this year's measures will not completely correct the deviation from the predicted annual budget deficit, but rather reduce it.

The previous government set a 1996 domestic deficit target of NIS 7.6b. After the first six months of the year, it stood at NIS 5.5b.

Among the savings agreed by ministers to be implemented this year are NIS 90m. from the Agriculture Ministry and NIS 73m. from the Defense Ministry.

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safe, but your money is tied up for years at a time.

Is the market going to continue

THERE could be as many as Labor and Social Affairs 600,000 illegal foreign workers Ministries, is supposed to submit here, head of the Interior its conclusions within 30 days. State Comptroller Miriam Ben-Porat told the committee that leg-Carmon told the Knesset State islation could help in several Carmon told the committee that areas. One possibility would he to require foreign workers to be paid as much as their Israeli counterparts, which would eliminate the incentive for using foreigners. Another would be to provide incentives for contractors who switched from labor-intensive to high-tech building methods.

MK Yossi Katz (Labor) suggested setting up one government body to handle the problem of foreign workers, saying the current division of labor among four different ministries creates confusion

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and inefficiency. Committee chairman Ran Cohen (Meretz) promised that the committee would initiate legislation on foreign workers. He suggested a law barring anyone found employ-

א תח- שאלאה ווחיה Up to 600,000 illegal foreign workers here – official ינס ותיאה גנעתייי

Givatayim Mayor Efi Stantzler (center) joins pensioners from the Dan region who demonstrated outside the Knesset against the government's plans to cut pension rights. (Visrael Melubany)

NY stocks suffer as Dow frets over high-tech firms

NEW YORK (AP) - The stock market that couldn't be stopped ran into trouble again on Monday, leading to speculation that five-and-ahalf years of gains on Wall Street

had come to a end. The Dow Jones average, the mar-

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its steepest drop since March 8 and its lowest close since late January. Concern about corporate profits

Other market averages also saw significant erosion Monday, especially the Nasdaq composite index. The Nasdaq, home to companies like Microsoft and Intel, saw its

Dow plummeted 508.00 points to 1,738.74 - a 22.6% decline.

(Continued from Page 1) and savings plans, they suck money out of the stock market.

that would imply he had asked Finance Minister Dan Meridor for

falling?

the committee, which includes representatives from the Interior, receiving additional permits to finished Monday down 161.05 Finance, Internal Security, and hire foreign workers legally. points, or 2.9 percent, at 5,349.51,

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inggened earnings in the important technology sector. Profits drive stocks more than anything else, and word of weakness can quickly shake confi-

Last Thursday, the Dow lost more than 83 points following an announcement late Wednesday by computer maker Hewlett-Packard that slowing orders would hurt sales and profits.

A day earlier, chip maker Motorola bad announced disappointing earnings.

Ironically, no stunning earnings were reported Monday and no major economic news was released to trigger the steep plunge.

The market's weakened position - the Dow is 7.4% off its May 22 record high - suggests to many on Wall Street that new records aren't likely for some time.

"The game has changed and the tide has turned," said Stan Weinstein, publisher of the Professional Tape Reader, a market newsletter.

While it was the Dow's fourthworst point drog, it was not even close to being among the largest falls in percentage terms. That hap-pened Oct. 19, 1987, when the

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leaving it ahead less than 1% for the year.

For years, Wall Street has taken care of investors, moving generally and predictably upward, backed by the leadership of technology companies. The market bas also snapped back powerfully after big declines.

That has begun to change. Following last Thursday's drop, the market tried to rally but failed, ending almost 10 points lower on Friday. Going back another week to July 5, traders not taking a long boliday weekend saw the Dow lose almost 115 points over concerns about a too-strong economy and possible inflation.

The next trading day the Dow followed up by losing more than 37 points.

Still, not all say the good times are entirely over.

"Markets are not created by the economy, they're created by human emotion," said A. Michael Lipper, president of Lipper Analytical Services Inc., a research firm.

"We've just had such a remarkable run. This is a correction. OK. We're still up on the year."

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3) Stock markets around the world have been tumbling, led by Wall Street. As the saying goes, when Wall Street sneezes, the rest of the world catches a cold.

Why are people fleeing the provident funds?

The process is partly circular. Provident fueds mostly own bonds, together with some stocks. Both have been falling lately. Fearing that their provident fund holdings are dropping in value, savers bail out for the safety of bank deposits. What should one do with prov-

ident funds? That depends. If you've been

saving for less than 15 years you are not yet liquid, so exiting would incur a big tax bill that would far exceed any short-term losses yon've incurred. If you've been in for more than 15 years, yon can withdraw your money without penalty. If you don't like volatility you're probably best out, but if you can live with the ups and downs, now might not be the time to pull out. With stock and bond prices

where they are now, the funds' portfolios should provide reasonable long-term returns in the future. Locking into savings plans, the main alternative, is

In the short term that's impossible to predict. But many observers are of the view that we're already at a level where there are a lot of bargains around. Eventually the market will rebound. The likely trigger will be a cut in interest rates, which will happen when the Bank of Israel feels confident inflation is coming under control.

Is there anything the government can do?

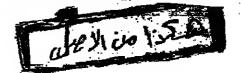
Not really, beyond trying to prevent panic. Historically, efforts in various markets to artificially boost sagging stock prices have met with very limited success. Anyway, markets typically overshoot in both directions.

• What should I do with my money?

That depends very much on you. If you have the patience and the nerves to be able to watch your money lose 10 percent of its value in a couple of weeks, bluechip stocks and mutual funds look temptingly priced right now. If you don't have the temperament. savings plans and government bonds are offering fat, safe, index-linked yields.

The writer, a former business editor of the Post. now works in the investment industry.

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STOCK prices fell for the tenth straight day, plunging five perceot and prompting government action designed to curb withdrawals from provident funds and to ease coocern in the capital markets.

The Two-Sided Index fell 4.94% to 169.36 while the Maof lodex dropped 5.21% to 179.52. Some NIS 98 millioo of shares were traded, 56% more than the daily average for July.

The Bank of Israel said it plans to institute a guaranteed minimum return for provideot funds. Eran Goren, fund manager at Zannex Securities said, "It's not a crisis. The market is not at 140, it'a not at 120. It's the beginning of a structural change" in the way people here save and invest.

pulling money out of provident funds because the government forms ao ecocomic plao," be said. "They will continue to pull money out and have more control over their money."

Also hurting local stocks was Monday's drop oo Wall Street, said Zvi Hoffman, mutual fund manager and head of the International Department at Meitav.

Israeli shares traded in New York "went down sharply, except for Teva and Scitex," Hoffman said. Examples include ECI Tele-

com, which dropped 2-13/16 to 19-13/16, Tadiran, off 11/ to 22%, Koor, down ¾ at 16¼, Elron Electronic, which dropped ½ to 9%, and Accent Software, which sank 4% to 22%.

Teva was unchanged at 341/4 while Scitex eased 1/4 to 161/4.

"Don't expect people to stop

Euro bourses fall in response to Dow WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP

LONDON (Reuter) - Reassuring US data and earnings news yesterday belped Wall Street rally briefly from Mooday's battering and raised Europeao hourses from their lows, but a recovery oo both sides of the Atlantic ran out of steam.

On curreocy markets, the dollar sank more than two pfennigs against the mark, its biggest oneday fall this year, hit by selling across the board after it dropped

below 1.50 marks "A lot of peop

high earnings expectations, and my sense is that Europe should outperform in this environment," be added.

But UBS strategist Tim O'Dell cautiooed: "It's a fool's game to try to call the turning points. Our view is that there is a correctioo under way that is oot complete aod the dynamics of the market are not comfortable yet."

"The (US) statistics are good but people remain wary about the earnings figures," a Paris-based broker added. Bargain-hunters swooped on long (of) dollars and were holdleading US shares in early trading ing oot for oew highs," said Dayesterday. vid Coleman, chief ecocomist at Io early trading the Dow Jones CIBC Wood Guody. "What industrial average was up around we're seeiog oow is a bit of 45 points, reclaiming a chunk of Mooday's 161-point loss, hut by The dollar hit its lowest level the time European markets for three mooths against the closed it showed a deficit of mark, undermined by concern around 11 points and continued over further share market weakto lose momentum. ness in New York and a move The London stock market, Europe's largest, pulled back from its lowest levels this year hut still US consumer price and industrial production figures produced eoded with a loss of 66 points or no surprises and soothed fears 1.78 percent, its higgest fall for 26 over inflation pressures and highmonths. It dropped 30 points oo er US interest rates, hut the relief the previous day. they provided for stock markets Freoch shares ended a rollercoaster day dowo 1.97%, al-Markets in Europe aod Asia though above their lows, after a bad taken fright after Wall sbarp late decline. Street's fourth largeat fall in "The (US) statistics are good hut people remain wary about the carnings figures." one Paris broker said. Results of key compoter chip maker Intel are due after Wall Street closes. "The market is at a crossroads. There are a lot of uncertainties and it is no good to play the hero,' said Jeso-Francois Legoux, partner at SBC Brinson SA in Paris. "This was an orderly retreat," said Josb Weiblinger of BHF Bank in Frankfurt as the market

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Riis improves lead, Indurain concedes defeat

LOURDES-HAUTACAM, France (AP) – Denmark's Bjarne Riis firmed up his solid lead in the Tour de France yesterday, while fivetime defending champion Miguel Indurain conceded he won't win a record sixth Tour.

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The overall leader at the start of the 16th stage yesterday, Riis left the field behind in the final kilometers and won the 199km race with a powerful finish.

Riis stayed ahead during the steep 10km, 1,000m climb high in the Pyrenees.

Indurain, who turned 32 yesterday, lost more than two minutes to Riis and fell back to 10th place overall at 7:16 behind, virtually ending any chance the Spaniard has to become the first man to win six Tours.

"I gave it all I had today," said Indurain, who finished 12th yesterday, 2 minutes 38 seconds behind Riis. "I stil! hope to be on the podium in Paris, but first place will certainly go to Riis."

On the steep course lined with hundreds of thousands of fans, Indurain couldn't stay with Riis. who hammered up the slopes to widen his overall lead to two minutes. 42 seconds over secondplace Abraham Olano of Spain.

Only three other men have won five Tours - French riders Jaques Anguetil and Bernard Hinault. and Belgian Eddy Merckx. At the start of the Tour, Indurain was favored to win his sixth straight.

But Indurain showed early on he wasn't in winning form. losing more than four minutes to the leaders in the climbing stage July 6 in the French Alps. After a week in France's Massif Central, many thought Indurain would attack yesterday.

When Riis broke with 7km to go, a struggling Indurain quickly faded.

"Today Miguel Indurain lost the Tour and today Bjarne Riis won it." French rider Laurent Dufaux said after finishing third yesterday just bebind France's Richard Virenque.

The other challengers couldn't hold pace with Riis, who finished third last year overall behind Indurain.

Second-place Olano finished just ahead of Indurain yesterday and lost 1:46 in the stage. Swiss rider Tony Rominger moved up to third when Russian Yevgeny Berzin, who started the day in third place,



FULL THROTTLE - Denmark's Bjarne Riis lets out a primal roar as be turns on the speed during the 16th leg of the Tour de France yesterday. (Reuser)

lost nearly three minutes and dropped 10 sixth overall at 4:07. Rominger is 2:54 back, just ahead of fourth-place Jan Ullrich at 3:39 and fifth-place Richard Virenque at 4:05.

"I think Hautacam is the key to winning the Tour," Riis said. "I'm happy I went out bard today, but I think it will be more difficult tomorrow because it's a dangerous stage." Today's stage finishes in Pamplona, Spain, just six miles from Indurain's homelowa. But it

will be Riis, not Indurain, wearing the leader's yellow jersey. "I know Indurain is a close

adversary, but I feel good and I bave a good shot at winning now," Riis said. "I think it will difficult tomorrow because we'll be in (Indurain's) part of the world." In today's stage across the Pyrenees into Pamplona, Spain, race officials are hoping to svoid problems with a Basque separatist group, which has threatened to disrupt the stage.

Officials said they will broadcast race information in French, Spanish and the Basque language as the Tour heads through the Basque region today and tomorrow.

The Tour has been disrupted already, once on July 11 when protesting shop-owners threw tacks on the course and flattened several tires of riders in the race, and again last week when organizers had to reroute a climb to Sestrieres, Italy, because of unseasonal snow

Smadja leaves for Atlanta chances were much greater but

OREN Smadja, who injured himself in a training session last week, left last night for Atlanta, together with weightlifter Vacislav Ivanovsky and pole vaulter Dani Krasnov.

They will be the final members of the Israeli delegation to arrive

at the Olympic village. Smadja is still nursing 8 torn ligament in bis left knee and has been receiving physiotherapy twice a day. He will compete on July 23 with a special strap around his knee.

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Smadja, pre-injury Barcelona bronze medalist said yesterday, "Last week my medal

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nals of the European Cup in 1966 after beating Manchester United

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dle too many. Partizan's current squad has been weakened by the close-sea-son departure of four influential players, and Tombacovic will be relying on young talent in his bid to edge past Maccabi in addition to the proven skill of midfielder Dragan Ziric and forward Damir Zakar

Haifa coach Giora Speigel has not had an easy time since the last

campaign came to a disappointing end. With Rafi Cohen and Ofer

Sbitrit moving on and Haim Revivo, Ophir Kopel and Avishai

Janno suspended, the northerners face an uncertain period of rebuilding and seem ill-prepared

World No. 1 Steffi Graf has pulled out of the German team for the Olympic Games in Atlanta because of a knee injury, the German

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Tennis Federation (DTB) said yesterday. The DTB said a medical examination had revealed a problem with Graf's knee ligaments and her doctor had advised her to take a break of several weeks from training and competitive tennis.

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Bet. Jerusalem, Mac. Haifa open **European challenges tonight**

ISRAELI clubs kick off their European cup challenge this evening when 'both Betar Jerusalem and Maccabi Haifa take on continental competition in UEFA Cup action.

Fans in the capital are expecting Betar to deliver the goods in convincing style when it takes on Floriana Valetta of Malta at Teddy Stadium. Maccabi Haifa appears to have a much tougher task in its encounter with Partizan Belgrade of Yugoslavia in a match which is being held at the Herzliya Municipal Stadium because the Kiryat Eliezer turf is being re-laid. The Jerusalemites will be looking to Itzik Zohar, their new signing from Maccabi Tel Aviv, to show some of his talents in midfield, as the rift between the club's two other stars, Ronnen Harazi and Eli Ohana appears to have healed slightly, with the confines of Teddy Stadium now seemingly big enough to house both players

egos.

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The minnows of Malta are not expected to pose a great threat to the Jerusalemites, on their home ground, at least, and the hosts can expect rousing support from their fans. If Monday's training session, when as many as 3,000 spectators turned out to watch a training session, is anything to go by, then there is certainly good reason to turn up at Teddy Stadium tonight at 6 p.m.

The Haifaites bave a much sterner prospect in store against the Yugoslav league champions Partizan Belgrade at Herzliya Municipal Stadium this evening. Yugoslavia returned to European action after the country's four-year absence from continental competition during the Balkan war.

The club, now coached by Leubija Tombacovic, has captured

for today's encounter at 5:30 p.m. **Cowboys' Irvin** gets probation on drug charge

OVER one hundred members from the International Orienteering Federation will gather in Jerusalem today for the biennial congress.

The Israel Sport Orienteering Association, under its President Michael Friedlander, is the first country outside Europe to host the occasion. The IOF's President Sue Harvey from Britain and Vice Ake Jacobson Presidents Hugh Cameron (Sweden). (Australia) and Sarlota Monspart (Hungary), together with repre-

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sentatives from 30 countries, will attend.

Tonight's opening ceremony at the Holyland Hotel will be in the presence of Minister of Tourism Moshe Katsav and Jerusalem's

mayor Ebud Olmert. As part of the four-day congress, a mountain-bike orienteering event will be held in the Presidents Forest tomorrow for the members, all active orienteers. The sport, which has its origins in Sweden, has attracted 600 members in Israel.

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DALLAS (AP) - Michael Irvin was sentenced yesterday to four years probation and fined \$10,000 after the Dallas Cowboys receiver pleaded no contest to a second-

degree felony cocaine possession charge. State District Judge Manny Alvaiez warned Irvin he could face the full penalty - up to 20 years in prison - if be violates probation. Irvin pleaded no contest Monday after prosecutors dropped demands that he plead

gnilty, which could have jeopardized his career. · · · · · · · · ·

Ripken moves back to third after 14

Orienteering group sets course for capital HEATHER CHAIT

years at shortstop

BALTIMORE (AP) - Cal Ripken's reign as the Baltimore Orioles' shortstop is over.

Davey Orioles manager Johnson, in an effort to shake up his slumping team, started Ripken at third base in Monday night's game, an 8-6 win over Toronto.

Ripken flawlessly bandled four grounders at his new position. He went 0-for-4 at the plate, but reached on an error in the ninth inning to start a five-run rally.

The switch ended Ripken's string of 2,216 consecutive games as Baltimore's starting shortstop, a streak that began July 1, 1982. Last week, Ripken started bis 13th straight All-Star game at shortstop

Ripken played that game with a broken nose, and he jokingly made a reference to that before taking the field against Toronto.

"Yes, I will be playing third base tonight against the wishes of my nose doctor, who deems third base a whole lot more dangerous than shortstop," he said.

Manny Alexander played shortstop and did not have a single chance in the field.

Clearly, Ripken was not distressed over the idea of returning to the position he played when he broke into the majors in 1981.

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Dykstra undergoes surgery

PHILADELPHIA (AP) - Lenny Dykstra won't know for at least several months whether surgery on his back will allow him to resume his baseball career - or force him into retirement.

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The Philadelphia Phillies center fielder has been in pain since last season, when doctors discovered he had spinal stenosis, a congenital narrowing of the spinal column that presses on sensitive nerves in the back. After attempting to play with it this year, Dykstra, 33, nicknamed

"Nails" for his toughness, was put on the disabled list May 19. Dykstra underwent back surgery on Monday.

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"It's not really a sad day for me. I'm playing a baseball game," Ripken said. "I'm going to be in there in the lineup like I always am. I'm going to look at it as a challenge, to see if third base is as comfortable as it was years ago."

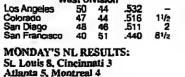
Johnson hinted about making the move earlier this year, but carried through with his plan Monday, in the wake of a fivegame losing streak that dropped the Orioles 10 games behind firstplace New York in the AL East.

"I'd rather do it and be done with it," Johnson said. "My concern is with 25 players, not just Cal Ripken, as great as he is. To me, this is not that big a change, except that it involves a Hall of Fame player."

Ripken, who played in his 2,244th consecutive game Monday, was replaced at shortstop by Alexander, 25, who has spent his entire career in the Orioles' organization operating in Ripken's formidable shadow.

Alexander is a lifetime .235 hitter, but Johnson has said for months he would like to see bow the 5-foot-10 shortstop would fare if he played every day. Ripken, 35. entered Monday's game with a .289 average and

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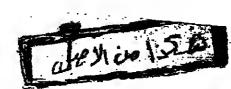
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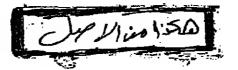
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and all the other characters in his

one-man show The Stories of Abu

Nimer hy Dahn Ben-Amotz. Zuamatt,

who can also be seeo in the hilarious The Rubber Merchants, adapted these

FILM

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*** FARGO - The least fraoght and

most affectionate of brother Joel and Ethan Coens' films to date, Fargo is hased on an improbable-sounding true story about a Minneapolis car dealer (William H. Macy)

who runs into deht and concocts a desperate

scheme to make hack some quick cash. But

things don't go quite as planned and hy the

time the movie ends, many people are dead

and ample blood has spilled across the clean

Midwestern snow. Although the crime-gooe-

afoul plot feels pleoty familiar, it's clear

from the outset that the Coeos are up to

something else, a tonal torsion that's evident

the very first time the characters open their

mouths to speak and the pinched, pseudo-

Scandinavian sing-soog of the region comes

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TELEVISION

6:30 News in Arabic 6:45 Exercise Hour 7:00 Good Morning Israel

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E FAMILY CHANNEL (3)

MOVIE CHANNEL (4)

15:30 Vacation Time 18:00 Alpine Academy 18:30 Family Relations 19:00 Everything's Open 19:30 A Matter of Time 20:00 A New Evening (Russian subtides) 20:30 Basic Arabic 21:00 The History Makers 21:30 Mozart on Tour 22:30 Star Treic Next Generation 23:15 Mother and Son

8:00 Falcon Crest (rpt) 2:00 One Life to Live

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11:30 Order of the Black Eagle (1987) – secret agents wage war against a neo-Nazi group (89 mms,) 13:00 What's New in the Movies 13:15 Scarlet Street (1945) – A mid-die-aged man becomes embroiled with e famme tatale. With Edgar G. Robinson, Joan Bennett, and Dan Duryee. Directed by Fritz Lang, (101 mins.) 14:55 Crazy Ads 15:25 Le Petit Criminal (1990; French) – s young boy robs e pharmacy to go see e sis-tar he's never met (rpt) 17:26 Lunatics, A Love Story (1992) – e boy who's atraid to leave his house accidentally invites a girt to visit With Theodore Raimi and Deborah Foreman. Oirected by Josh Becker. (83 mins.) 18:30 Special on *Pirates Island* 18:40 Baby Snatcher (1992) – a woman kidnaps e

mins.) 18:30 Special on Pirates Island 18:40 Baby Snatcher (1992) – a woman kidmaps e newborn to save her marnage. (pt) 20:15 Housesitier (1992) – a man builds a country house for the woman he loves, who mean-while leaves him, and another comes instead and impersonates her. With Goldie Hawn and Steve Martin. (97 mins.) 22:00 The DevtTs Bed (1994) – a woman returns

EDUCATIONAL TV

8:00 Animated series on animals 8:30 Tom. Cats 9:00 Gaya, Gal and Gili 9:15 Kalimaru 9:30 The Little Mermald 10:30 Vacation Studio 13:00 Animated series on animals 13:30 Tomcats 14:00 Gaya, Gal and Gal 14:15 Kalimaru 14:30 Moomins 15:00 Animated series on Shakespeare – A Midsummer Night's Dream

CHANNEL 1

15:31 Zap on the Wave 15:33 Tom and Jerry 15:50 Zappers 18:00 Hearbreak High 16:45 Zap on the Wave 16:59 A New Evening 17:34 Zap on the Wave 17:50 Yaldudas

18:15 News in English

ARABIC PROGRAMS 18:30 Family Affairs 19:00 News

HEBREW PROGRAMS

19:31 Grace Under Fire 20:00 Mabat News 20:45 Warm Summer Nights in Jaffa – ententakriment program. 22:00 Conference Call – Nissim Mishai Interviews the person-ality of the week, live 22:35 Dream On 23:00 Crown Prosecutor 23:30 News 00:00 Verse of the Day

E CHANNEL 2

CHANNEL 2 10:00 Itz and Mitz 10:30 The Little Colonel (1935) – Shirley Temple r displays her tal-ents to the hit. Co-starting Lonel Banymore and Evelyn Venable. (80 mins.) 12:05 Tush-Tush 13:00 A Matter of Time 13:30 The Fresh Prince of Bel Air 14:00 Tok Tack 14:30 All Together Now 15:00 My Sea 15:30 Dave's World 16:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 17:00 News magazine with Reti Reshel 17:30 Return of the Sheriff 18:00 Senora 18:58 The Crew 19:25 Bind Date 20:00 News 20:30 Wheel of Fortune 21:30 Chicago Hope 22:30 Back to Front 22:15 New York Under Cover – police aeries 00:00 News 00:05 New York Under Cover – con-tinued 00:20 The Boston Strangler (1988) – Docudrama based on the discovery and prosecution of the notorious Islex. Starting Tony Curtis, Henry Fonda and George Kennedy. (120 mins.) 2:15 Gillette World of Sports Special 2:45 On the Edge of the Shelf

JORDAN TV

15:00 The Filmstones 15:30 Iris, the Happy Professor 15:45 Bill Mye, the Science Guy 18:10 Olympica 17:00 News Hash 17:01 Franch Programs 19:30 News Haadlines 19:35 English Shade 20:00 Super Star 20:30 Chancer 21:10 Hunter 22:00 News in English 22:35 The Bold and the Beautiful 23:15 Bugs

MIDDLE FAST TV

8:00 TV Shop 14:00 700 Club 14:30 Eagle in a Cage (1971) – Exiled Napoleon comm-ues to act and think as if he were still the emperor, Starring John Gielgud and Ralph Richardson. (92 mins.) 18:05 Urban Peasants 16:30 Dennis the Menace 16:55 Mask 17:20 Poppless 17:45 Hart to Hart 18:40 A-Team 19:30 World News 20:00 CNN 20:430 Coarth 20:55 Stiffers 21:45 Sae CNN 20:30 Coach 20:55 Sliders 21:45 Sea

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CHILDREN (6)

6:30 Cartoons 8:00 Maya the Bee 3:30 Yeledracula 9:00 Binkie Bill 3:40 Batman 10:15 Simba King of the Jungle 10:50 VR Troopers 11:25 Scientific Love 12:10 The Ren and Stimpy Show 13:00 Harry and the Hendersons 13:30 Hugo 14:00 Chiquititas 15:10 Batman (rpt) 15:45 Simba King of the Jungle (rpt) 16:20 VR Troopers (rpt) 17:00 Scientific Love (rpt) 18:00 The Ren and Stimpy Show (rpt) 19:00 Hugo (rpt) 19:30 Three's Company 20:00 Married with Children 20:25 Roseanne 20:50 The Ren and Stimpy Show 21:05 Big Brother Jack 21:30 Drop the Dead Donkey

E SECOND SHOWING (6)

22:00 Coup de Foudre (1982, French) – Friendship between two women who both leave their husbands. With Isabelle Huppert and Miou Miou, Directed by Diane Kurys. (106 mins.) 23:50 Mon Oncle (1958, French) – comic allegory of the new world of automa-tor. Starring and directed by Jacques Tati. (110 mins.)

E DISCOVERY (8)

6:00 Open University 12:00 National Geographic Explorer (rpl) 13:00 Combat at Sea (rpt) 14:00 Open University 12:00 National Geographic Explorer (rpt) 17:00 Combat at Sea (rpt) 18:00 Open University 20:00 The Wild South 21:00 1000 Meters Under the Jungle – Journey to an Underground River 22:00 Future Ovest 22:30 And Got Created the Monkey 23:00 The Wild South (rpt) 23:50 Open University (rpt) (rpt)

SUPER CHANNEL

2:00 Selina Scott Show 7:00 NBC News 7:30 TTN News 8:00 Today 10:00 Supershop 11:00 European Money Wheel 16:00 Wall Street – live 17:00 US Money Wheel 18:30 FT Business Tonight 19:00 TTN News 18:30 Portraits of the Century – Konrad Adenauer 20:00 Europe 2000 20:30

CINEMA

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6:06 Morning Concert 9:05 Schubert: Piano trio no 2 in E flat D929; Mozart: Piano con-certo no 25; Ravet: Concerto for piano letti hard;(Beethoven: Symphony no 5; Nielsen: Clarinet concerto: Barber: Adagio I or strings 12:00 Light Classical – Gounod: Ballet music Irom Faust: Vardi; The Seasons ballet music; Punchielli: Dance of the Hours 13:00 Alphonse and Alois Kontarsky – Bartot Sonata to 2 pianos and percussion; Debussy: En Blanc et Norr 14:06 Encore 15:00 Keys 10:00 Bach: Cantata no 31; Mozart: Misas bravis K275; Mahler: Symphomy no 1 18:00 Haydh: Cello concerto in C; Brahms: Thio in A minor for clarinet, cello and piano op 114; Mendelssohn: Violin concerto in 0 minor, posth.; Mozart: Symphony no 36 "Linz" (Vienna PO/Bernstein) 20:05 (1) Great Recitals in Jerusalem – Gil Shaham (violn), Of Shaham (piano), Beethoven: Sonata no 4 in A minor for violin and piano op 3; Dvorak: Sonata in F for violin and piano op 3; Dvorak: Sonata in A for violin and piano; Dvorak: Sonata in A for violin and piano; Dvorak: Piaces nos 3 and 4 Irom Formantic Piaces op 75; (2) Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra-IBA; Sharon Roslori, Sivan Rotem (soprance), Donald George (tanor), Denis Sadov (pass), Vina Municopal Choir, Noam Shertt: Pasims of Jerusatem (cond. Shallon) 23:00 Golden Generation – Schubert: Winterreise, comparisons of singers Dietrich Fischer-Oieskau, Hans Hotter, Richard Tauber and others (part 6)

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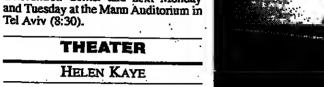
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Andras Schiff will play Bartok's Second Piano Concerto tomorrow at the Haifa Auditorium.

> Coens still seem to harbor for their home state, (English dialogue, Hehrew subtitles.

repolsive, invigorating, Danny Boyle's film offers viewers an instantaneoua high, followed by a crash and then another high, and so forth. The movie's manic flip-flops io tone are clearly meant to mirror the ecstatic ascent and correspooding downward spiral the living-dead hero, Mark Reoton, feels as he sticks himself with a hypodermic full of heroin and breathes deeply. Adapted hy John Hodge from Irvine Welsh's cult oovel, the low-hudget Scottish movie is designed to shock, though oot because of its druggy subject matter, so much as its exuberant tone. Reoton and his odd-lot band of buddies eojoy takiog dope and the picture refuses to coodemn them for it. At the same time, the picture can hardly he called a glowing endorsement of the joys of shooting-up: in the course of the action, one addict craps in his bed, one dies of AIDS and one undergoes a gruesome detox. Trainspottiog isn't a great movie, but it's got ferocious energy. It bristles and pounds and later rings in one's ears like a terrific rock soog. (English dialogue, Hebrew subtitles. Children under 17 not .admitted without an adult)

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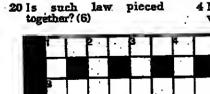
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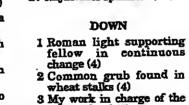
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- are sold? (4,6)
- 6 Humble hairstyles back (4)
- 9 Bunter lond, perhaps, but placid (10)
- 10 Packaged, we hear, and
- transported (4)
- 13 Brown coal left to burn (7) 15 Carrying no stress with a
- pick-me-np? (6)
- 16 Following a group of fish . (6)
- 17 Constable cause this high
- old time? (7,8) 18 Doctor from LA here to
- reform (6)



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Bridge? (10) 26 Interviewed in bishop's office before noon (4) 27 Adjustable spanner? (10)

- shortsighted (6)
- 4 Miechievous gohlin or wood-elf? (5,10)

5 Quits taking teaspoon- fal, with these results? (6) 7 Ice-cream taken into a plane, melts (10) 8 Courage and audacity needed in traffic-jam? (10)

11 Battered old sofas? He lies here! (10)

12 Folks'll say this is part of a ship (10)

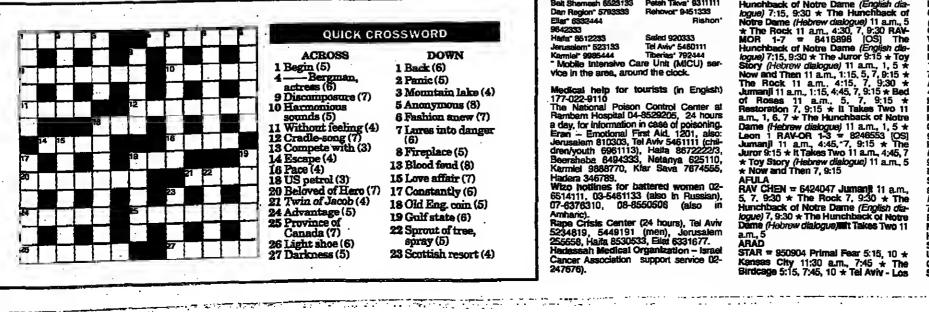
13 Small contribution put into hat is fixed (7)

14 English copper on repaired road in the country (7) 19 Trial of equipment belonging to us (6) 20 Shooting-star bumped into earth over Oregon (6)

- 23 Potato savoury starter
- with common dessert (4) 24 Fare from France (British Rail, that is) (4)

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NEWS.

Thursday, July 18, 1996 The Jerusalem Post

Report: Hizbullah negotiating trade for MIA bodies

ARIEH O'SULLIVAN and news agencies

GERMANY is mediating a possible swap of the remains of two Israeli MIAs for Shi'ite Moslem prisoners held by Israel,

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Hizbullah said yesterday. "Our talks with the Germans are still going on for the swap of the remains of the two Israeli soldiers...The talks are within the context of Hizbullah efforts to free the captives in Israeli prisons and Khiam jail," a Hizbullah official told Reuters. Israeli officials would not confirm or deny the reported negotiations.

The officials added that Israel held Hizbullah responsible for the fate of the two bodies. This is not the first time that reports have surfaced over a possible swap between Hizbullah and lsrael.

The remains are believed to be those of Yosef Flnk and Rahamim Alsheikh. They were captured in a south Lebanon ambush in 1986 and apparently later killed. Israel was informed three years ago, during negotia-tioos for the release of Western hostages held in Lebanon, that Hizbullah held the bodies of these two men.

German government spokesman Peter Hausmann said in Bonn that he was unaware of any German mediation effort.

The German government said in May that Bernd be part of any deal to free Schmidbauer, the top intelli- Lebancse prisoners.

gence aide 10 Chancellor Helmut Kohl, was on a secret mission to Beirut that month with Israeli approval.

Germany has never officially confirmed the purpose, but gov-ernment officials were quoted as saying at the time that Schmidbauer met Hizbullah members to mediate the release of corpses of Israeli soldiers. A Hizbullah leader has said that Israel holds 70 Lebanese

prisoners in Israel and its South Lebanese Army ally holds about 200 Lebanese at Khiam in the security zone.

Hizbullah Deputy Secretary-General Naeem Qassem last week freed two captured SLA fighters, but said the group would keep the remains of the two Israeli soldiers for a future exchange deal.

Among Hizbullah captives in Israel is cleric Sheikh Abdel Karim Obeid, captured by Israeli commandos in 1989.

Qassem has accused Israel of aborting a number of exchange proposals by linking the fate of Lebanese detainees with the unknown fate of Israeli pilot Ron Arad. captured in 1986 after his plane was downed over

south Lebanon. Israel has in the past said Arad was in the hands of Iranians or their followers in Lebanon and insisted he should

Ya'alon: Hizbullah is violating Grapes of Wrath understanding

LIAT COLLINS

HIZBULLAH is violating the understandings reached at the end of Operation Grapes of Wrath, IDF Intelligence Chief Moshe Ya'alon told the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee yesterday. Ya'alon said that from Israel's point of view the organization is breaching the understandings by returning to villages and using them as a shelter after an operation. The Intelligence head said attacks

Iran is trying to become a region-al power and hopes to obtain nonconventional weapons and groundto-ground missiles, he said. The US embargo is not effective because the European states are not cooper-ating. Russia and China are also helpiog Iran develop non-conventional weapons. Iran's national agenda places terror activities in the first place, despite the country's difficult economic situation, he said. In answer to a question by Meretz leader Yossi Sarid, Ya'alon said the IDF Intelligence has not altered its assessment that Syria has undergone a strategic change. When the security element of Syria's defense budget is low, it is a sign the country is not going to war, he said. President Assad understands that he can obtain the Golan Heights only by negotia-THE Lod military court sentenced a tions, oot war. However, from Palestinian bomb-maker to two con-Assad's point of view the test will



Labor MK Ophir Pines (right) takes his seat at a meeting yesterday of Labor MKs and haredi representatives on the conflict over Jerusalem's Rehov Bar-Ilan. Also seated are MK Moshe Gafni (United Torah Judaism) and Labor MK Ephraim Sneh. (Efnim Kikhok)

Labor MKs discuss Rehov Bar-Ilan conflict with haredi representatives

LIAT COLLINS

LABOR MKs met yesterday with baredi representatives to discuss the closure of Jerusalcm's Rehov Bar-Ilan, but the encounter succeeded primarily in highlighting disagreements within Labor on the issue. The only result was a decision to create a joint committee to examine possible solutions and to try and defuse the tension. Both the meeting and the special committee were initiatives of Labor faction chairman Ra'anan Cohen, who summed up the meeting by saying: "I can feel the tension in the air. It's a dangerous atmosphere. It was easi-er to make an agreement in Oslo than to

make an agreement here." During the often stormy meeting, some MKs, including Ephraim Snch, Yona Yahav and faction whip Ephraim Oshaya sided with the haredim on many points, while Uzi Baram, Ophir Pines and Dalia Itzik fumed against closing the road. Baram, however, also voiced anger at what he described as an attempt by Meretz to present itself as the only representative of the secular population. Pines spoke out against the Sturm Report, which calls for the road to be closed during

prayer times. 'It's not a compromise, as no one is going to stand with a watch to see what the time is. The real question is how religious and secular live together," Pines said. Sneh spoke out of coexistence." Hc proposed adopting the Sturn Report recommendations. But his call for coexistence did not go down well with all his fellow Labor MKs. "I'm very worried by the pune I'm hearing

from Ephraim [Sneh] and others," said Baram. "Suddenly after the elections there are new understandings in the party. I don't agree to it. The religious are taking over Jaffa Road and in another few months they'll

want to close that, too. Common sense dictates preserving the status quo.... "There is no reason to change the [party's] stand except for the bad conscience of some people in the party. For years we've been fighting the closure. This is a main road, not an alley," Baram said.

Yona Yahav took exception to Baram's tone. "Haredi Jews are not an enemy country. You're teaching your children to hate me. I'm a Jew."

Dalia Itzik, meanwhile, accused the haredim of teaching their children to hate the sec-

Terrorist bomb-maker sentenced to two life terms

ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

ous bomb-making mastermind of

the Hamas military wing. Ayyash,

known as the "Engineer," was killed

in January by a booby-trapped cel-

A resident of the Balata refugee

camp near Nablus, Atallah was con-

victed of masterminding the July

1995 suicide bombing on the No. 20

Jular phone in Gaza.

MK Moshe Gafni (United Torah Judaism), who also attended the meeting, said the lives of local residents "had been turned into a hell" because of the demonstrations by secular outsiders who deliberately ride down the road on Sabbath. He called on Labor MKs not to be influenced by Meretz "and let us live in peace." Rabbi David Nahman Blau, who lives in the area, said all the residents along the road are religious. "Not even one percent are secular there. The government has built three alternative roads. For six days a week we suffer from the noise and cars. Let us have one day a week."

buses, an army spokesman said.

One of the judges, who voiced a

minority opinion in the military tri-bunal, sought the death sentence for

the "brutally and repeatedly attack-

ing innocent people," the statement

Atallah, 23, was recruited and

trained by Yihye Ayyash, the ootori-

said

Haredi leaders agree to call off **Rehov Bar-Ilan** Shabbat demo

BILL HUTMAN

HAREDI leaders have agreed to postpone the protest to demand the closure of Rehov Bar-Ilan that they had planned for Shabbat, Jerusalem Deputy Mayor Haim Miller (United Torah Judaism) said yesterday.

Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmert asked for the postponement until after the High Court of Justice decision on the matter, he said.

The court is expected to rule next week on whether the government has the right to close the road during prayer times on Shabbat,

A police spokesman confirmed that Jerusalem Police chief Cmdr. Aryc Amit was informed by haredi leaders that they had postponed their Shabbat protest. Meretz, which is leading the fight for the road to remain open, plans to stage a demonstration near Rehov Bar-Ilan this Shabbat.

In the meantime, haredi leaders have organized a prayer rally in Jerusalem tomorrow, calling for "the end of the desecration of the Shabbat that is occurring on Rehov Bar-Itan," Miller said.

Miller noted that the government would have ordered Jerusalem's Rehov Bar-Ilan closed even if the Labor Party were still in power.

Several days before the election, then-health minister Ephraim Such met with Miller and other haredi leaders in his Jerusalem office. Such made a list of promises Labor hoped would convince haredim to support the candidacy of party leader Shimon Peres, Miller said.

"Sneh asked us to keep the promises quiet, because he thought it would cost his party some votes," Miller told The Jerusalem Post. (Full interview Friday.)

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Burg optimistic about agency's future in Russia ELDAD BECK

PARIS

JEWISH Agency Chairman Avraham Burg says that two weeks after Russian President Boris Yeltsin's reelection the agency received "encouraging and posi-tive" signals from Moscow conceming the future of the agency's activities in the Russian federation. Prior to the Russian election campaign Russian justice authorities decided to reexamine the status of the local agency bureaus. Certain bureaus were closed under orders

in South Lebanon in the last couple of weeks were related to Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu's visit to the US, "as a sort of political statement by the Syrians." 'Attempted attacks and preparations for possible Katyusha attacks had increased recently, he said.

He also told the committee that Iran is giving full support to Hizbullah, arming it and training it for activities. The aid Iran gives to Hizbullah amounts to millions of dollars, Ya'alon said. Hamas is also being supported by the Iranians, but unlike Hizbullah, it has its own policies.

Ya'alon said Iran's "fingerprints" in beloing terror organizations are seen around the world. A partial list of countries in which Iran is helping terror groups attempting to topple the current regime includes: Bosnia: the Philippines; Thailand; China: Turkey; the Islamic republics in the CIS; Lebanon; Jordan; Saudi Arabia; and the Gulf

secutive life terms for assembling be Israel's moves. "I dare say from this point of explosives and then dispatching the suicide bombers who blew themview if the Israeli government gave him a firm commitment according selves up last year on buses in Ramat Gan and Jerusalem's Ramar Eshkol to which he would receive the neighborhood, killing nine people. Golan Heights he would go for something [an arrangement]," Ya'alon said. "Peace and normal-Nasser Atallah had additional bombs ready for blowing up more ization is, in his view, the price that

has to be paid." Ya'alon said a unilateral withdrawal without an agreement with Syria or a security agreement would mean terror activities in Galilee.

against the convoy operated by Meretz activists on Shabbat calling it "an unnecessary provocation ... We have to be considerate to our own people too," he said. "We io the Labor Party can't hurt public sensitivities. It's a haredi area. There are two cultures in this country and we must find the means

When he was captured. Abdel

too late. We were concerned with their record while in govconnent, and not about their promises about the future," Miller said.

Sneh confirmed that he told Miller and haredi leaders from the Bar-Ilan area that a Labor government would close the road during prayer times, but denied that he wanted this to be kept a secret.

said.

bus in Ramat Gan. Five people

were killed and 33 injured in that

attack. He was also convicted in the

suicide bombing on the Jerusalem

No. 19 bus a few weeks later. Four people were killed and 103 injured

in that blast. MK Abdul Malik

Dahamshe, a member of the

Democratic Arab Party, acted as

Atallah's defense attorney, the army

Some officials in Moscow accused the agency of illegal activities and "brain smuggling."

Registration procedures for the agency's new status are still under examination. Senior agency officials said they thought that the sudden change of Russian attitude towards the agency was connected to the presidential election campaign, but now that the campaign is over they don't understand what is holding up a decision of the Russian administration.

In Paris yesterday Burg declared that during the last three years there has been a considerable increase of immigration to Israel from France. This year the number of French immigrants is expected to increase to 2,400, a 30 percent rise from the previous year.

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